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Thatcher prepared for emergency powers in docks

- **Ministers will consider today the possibility of declaring a state of emergency to deal with the docks strike**
- **The Transport Secretary said that the Government was prepared to use emergency powers to move essential goods**
- **In the dispute, intervention by Acas led to hopes of an early end to the ports blockade**
- **The miners' strike, however, seems likely to run on after militant speeches by NUM leaders at the weekend**

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

The Government is prepared if necessary to use emergency powers to move essential supplies through the docks, Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary State for Transport, said yesterday. He added that ministers were "determined to keep the life of the nation going".

But he indicated that emergency action was not yet imminent. Preliminary consideration will be given today to the possible need for a proclamatioin of a state of emergency, when the committee of ministers who have been meeting regularly to monitor the miners' dispute and more recently the dock strike assemble again under the Prime Minister's chairmanship.

On Saturday, when the attitude of the dockers' leaders was seen to be hardening, Mrs Margaret Thatcher made a carefully worded statement in her Finchley constituency, saying that the Government would do everything necessar to keep the country working.

"In doing so we shall have the strong and resolute support of the British public. The country will not be held to ransom by a tiny minority", she said.

The Prime Minister's words implied clearly that the Government judged the dispute in the docks to be aimed not at genuine industrial ends but, in conjunction with the miners' leaders, at the Government's authority.

Mr Ridley, interviewed on BBC radio, put the belief into words.

He said that the cause of the strike, over the use of unregistered labour at Immingham, Humberside, had been solved. The Government had no plans

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to alter or abolish the Dock Labour Scheme, and had said so, so that could not possibly be a reason for a strike.

"There must be some other reason for the dock unions keeping their men out at present," Mr Ridley said, adding that his information was that "a large number of dockers do not want to go on strike for the sake of Arthur Scargill and the miners' dispute".

Mr Ridley's words brought an accusation from Mr John Prescott, Opposition transport spokesman, that he was "taking up the dispute" by "shaping up the troops to take over from the riot police".

He said that the minister could resolve the dispute by making clear than he no longer encouraged employers to believe they could get rid of the Dock Labour Scheme, and by accepting a form of words put forward by the unions which would reassure dock workers.

It was emphasized in Whitehall yesterday that the Government would be able to employ troops in various ways without taking emergency powers. Only if the strike in the docks persists into next week will there be a serious question of a proclamation.

● After a further weekend of sub-mutinous sounds from Conservative backbenchers, Mr John Biffen, leader of the Commons, yesterday invited the Prime Minister's critics in the party to test their strength by running a rival candidate for the leadership this autumn.

"All these mutterers have to do is simply to draft some candidate, who is a person of straw, designed to indicate how many votes can be cast for someone other than the Prime Minister. I bet we won't have a whisper or a peep from them", Mr Biffen said on BBC radio.

His antennae are more sensitive than some, and none of Mrs Thatcher's more persistent critics in the Commons appears to have yet reached the point of canvassing the names of potential challengers.

Lorries wait on the quay as a ferry leaves Dover eastern docks yesterday.

Peace moves raise hopes of end to ports blockade

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

New peace moves in the dock strike raised hopes last night that the blockade of Britain's major ports could soon be lifted.

The Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas) has invited leaders of the Transport and General Workers' Union and the National Association of Port Employers to separate "exploratory talks" as its London headquarters.

Both sides expected to accept the invitation, but the Government-appointed peacemakers believe that there could be some gruelling negotiations ahead before a formula to end the week-old stoppage is put together.

Today, TGWU shop stewards will seek to spread the strike to the port of Dover, where holidaymakers were yesterday engaged in a race against the clock to get across the Channel before a possible worsening of the action involving Sealink passenger ferries.

Meanwhile, Mr Arthur Scargill, president of the National Union of Mineworkers, is seeking to link the dock strike with the miners' strike, which today enters its 19th week. On the eve of talks with the TGWU and other members of trade union national co-ordinating committee, which pulls together backing for the pitmen, he declared "unanimous" NUM backing for the dockers.

"I believe it is imperative that both these unions understand that both our fights are interconnected and interlinked, fighting the same kind of government policy. That's what we all should understand as we go towards the ultimate victory," he told a strikers' rally yesterday at Shirebrook on the Derbyshire-Nottinghamshire border.

Mr Ron Todd, general secretary-elect of the TGWU, confirmed last night that the two disputes, though from different origins, are "inextricably linked". He said: "The dock strike started from our support of the NUM, when the port employers abrogated the National Dock Labour Scheme at Immingham."

The National Union of Seamen has also intensified the action by "blacking" freight lorries from Sealink ferries in protest at government plans to privatize the state-owned shipping line.

The NUS, which is part of the national coordinating committee backing the miners, halted much of the movement of coal by sea. "All around Britain we've got coal ships stopped. There's been one stopped for 19 weeks at a French port," Mr Scargill said yesterday. "It can't move and the lads on that ship say it will not move even if this strike goes on for five years."

● A last-minute deal could keep the holiday ferries flowing in and onut of Dover today (the Press Association reports).

It became clear last night that union leaders would be satisfied with a ban on the movement of all freight at Dover. In all other ports holiday travellers have been granted dispensation from the stoppage.

Dover dockers were due to hold a mass meeting early this morning to consider the union recommendation. More than 30,000 passengers and 7,000 cars are due to use the port today at the start of the peak school holiday period.

Coal board dismay on talks

By Our Labour Editor

The miners' strike looks set to run for another six weeks as peace talks resume between pitmen's leaders and the National Coal Board. The board's senior managers, who are to meet national officials of the National Union of Mineworkers on Wednesday, have been dismayed at the militant tone of their weekend speeches that have again diminshed hopes of an early settlement.

Union leaders privately believe that they are still at the "talks about talks about talks" stage. It seems unlikely that the delegate conference which met in Sheffield last week will be recalled to give a verdict on the negotiations before the end of August.

Mr Arthur Scargill, the miners' president told the Durham miners' gala on Saturday: "There has to be no fudge compromise. We have to win this dispute if we believe in what we have been fighting for."

The union's general secretary, Mr Peter Heathfield, promised the 10,000 pit demonstrators: "We will, at the end of the day, inflict on Mrs Thatcher the kind of defet we imposed on Ted Heath in 1972 and 1974".

Their remarks triggered fresh despondency at the coal board, where managers were hoping to pick up the threads of the four-day round of talks which were adjourned without a settlement but which kept alive the peace process.

Mr Ned Smith, the board's director of industrial relations, told *The Times*: "We have put proposals to the union that we regard as reasonable, and which I think would be regarded by a majority of people in the industry as reasonable. I sincerely hope that the talks will be meaningful."

The two principal points at issue between the union and the board are the union's insistence that the "pit closure programme" announced on March 6 must be withdrawn unconditionally, and that collieries must not be closed on economic grounds.

Mr Scargill reaffirmed at the gala the union's insistence that threatened pits must be kept open by new investment, and that there must be a new construction on the meaning of "exhausted pits": the miners would not talk about economic closures.

However, the board has not moved from its stand that there must be grounds other than safety or complete seam exhaustion. Mr Ian MacGregor, the chairman, will make a further attempt to persuade the union to accept that mines where there are no further reserves that can

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Security head 'was a Soviet agent'

By Peter Hennessy

The accuracy of Mrs Thatcher's Commons statement which cleared the late Sir Roger Hollis, former director-general of the security service, of allegations that he had spied for Russia, will be challenged tonight.

The top MI5 officer, who led the Hollis inquiry and spent 15 years investigating high-level Soviet penetration in Britain, claims that "intelligence-wise it was 99 per cent certain that he (Sir Roger) was a spy".

Granada Television *World in Action* has reopened the Hollis affair by producing new evidence which suggests that the Russian intelligence service had successfully run a "mole" at the summit of the security service into the 1960s. It is certain to spark renewed questioning in Parliament and could severely embarrass the Government.

Mr Peter Wright, who retired from MI5 in 1976 allowed himself to be cross examined publicly for the first time about the conclusions of the joint MI5-MI6 "Fluency" working party into KGB penetration of MI5 which sat from 1965 to 1969 under his chairmanship.

He says the Fluency investigation and two additional inquiries concluded that Sir Roger was the likeliest candidate to be the "mole".

In her statement to the Commons in March, 1981, Mrs Thatcher said: "The case for investigating Sir Roger Hollis was based on certain leads that suggested but did not prove that there had been a Russian Intelligence Service agent at a relatively senior level in British counter intelligence in the last years of the war."

Mrs Thatcher's remarks cited a fourth review of the case by Lord Trend, the former Cabinet Secretary, which cleared Sir Roger in the absence of conclusive evidence.

Mr Wright says tonight: "This is a masterly piece of Whitehall deception, because there were three independent inquiries in succession about this subject and all concluded that there was very serious penetration."

The *Prime Minister's* statement, which was intended to put an end to an investigation which began in the 1940s, was couched in equivocal language, Mr Wright says, because: "She

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Sir Roger Hollis (left) and Mr Peter Wright.

Blunder by Mondale as party meets

From Nicholas Ashford San Francisco

Just when he was beginning to project himself as a tough, decisive leader who had taken charge of a united Democratic Party, Mr Walter Mondale has become embroiled in a new controversy which is entirely of his own making.

It was caused by his attempt to dismiss Mr Charles Manatt as chairman of the Democratic National Committee and replace him with Mr Bert Lance, a prominent Southern Democrat who achieved notoriety during the Carter administration when he was forced to resign as Budget Director after an investigation of his personal finances.

Senator Gary Hart, who still intends to make a long-shot bid for the presidential nomination, immediately seized on the affair to promote his own candidacy. He said it was presumptuous of Mr Mondale to dismiss Mr Manatt before he had won the nomination.

The planned coup produced such sharp reaction from Democratic leaders that Mr Mondale has, instead, appointed Mr Lance "general chairman" of his campaign. It is still expected that Mr Manatt will step down after this week's convention, but he will be offered a new position in an expanded campaign structure being set up to consolidate party resources.

Mr Mondale's decision to promote Mr Lance was mainly intended to placate Democrats in the South, where there has been adverse reaction to his decision to nominate a woman, Mrs Geraldine Ferraro – who is a Northerner – as his running mate. The South is considered one of the key battlegrounds of the election.

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£114m 'star wars' devices to guard athletes

Olympics army of 18,000

From Ivor Davis Los Angeles

As thousands of athletes from around the world this weekend settle into their Olympic village homes, a huge army of police and guards – outnumbering competitors by more than two to one – is moving into place.

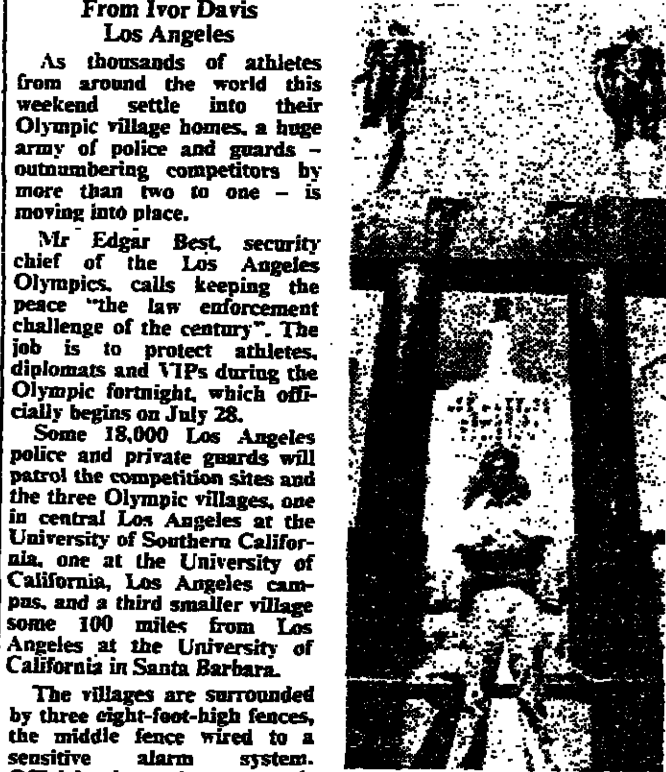
Mr Edgar Best, security chief of the Los Angeles Olympics, calls keeping the peace "the law enforcement challenge of the century". The job is to protect athletes, diplomats and VIPs during the Olympic fortnight, which officially begins on July 28.

Some 18,000 Los Angeles police and private guards will patrol the competition sites and the three Olympic villages, one in central Los Angeles at the University of Southern California, one at the University of California, Los Angeles campus, and a third smaller village some 100 miles from Los Angeles at the University of California in Santa Barbara.

The villages are surrounded by three eight-foot-high fences, the middle fence wired to a sensitive alarm system. Officials have hung pastel-coloured sheets over the cold steel of the inside fence to soften the harshness.

Behind the scenes is a formidable array of security devices, the like of which is said to have never been assembled before. It is a display of "Star Wars" type of gadgetry that the *Los Angeles Times* estimated will cost in the region of $150m (£114m).

The hub of the entire operation is the anti-terrorist operations centre, headquarters for a task force comprised of the FBI, the Los Angeles Police and Los Angeles Sheriff's Departments, plus counter-terrorist experts from other police agencies.



The Olympic Stadium, already under guard.

Information from the CIA, the National Security Agency and other US spy operations around the world will be piped into this secret headquarters in the centre of the city. Dozens of other police command centres have also been set up with immediate links to the "mission control" HQ.

For many months counter-terrorist experts have made photo surveys of virtually every square foot of competition sites and villages. Special FBI squads have carried out exercises using countless terrorist scenarios.

"All you have to do is look at the headlines and figure out which teams have the biggest risk", says Mr Paul Myron, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department Olympic planner. "The Turks and Israelis."

Fifteen of the 140 teams taking part will receive special security. The US athletes will not be overlooked.

"How better can some terrorist embarrass the United States than by an attack on an American Athlete", says Los Angeles Sheriff Sherman Block.

Security officials have erected 42 miles of fencing around the villages and most of the athletic venues. The Pentagon has spent $50m on security, including a $12m radio system, scrambled to prevent eavesdropping, to link the more than 50 southern California police agencies involved in Games security.

The Olympic village alarm system cost $10m to install and more than 70 helicopters, boosted by scores of other planes, will be used for aerial observation, evacuation purposes or to bring in the FBI hostage rescue and Swat (emergency response) teams if need be.

A squad of 14 bomb-sniffing dogs will be used, along with 70 bomb disposal experts aided by the British-tested Felix robot, a machine that can defuse a bomb or shoot it faster than it can explode.

FBI official Mr Richard Bretzing says that more than 40 international terrorist groups are being monitored by the anti-terrorist headquarters and a study has indentified 105 internatioinal conflicts that may have a bearing on the Olympics.

But he adds optimistically: "If we're lucky the public will never be aware of the activity of the anti-terrorist operations centre".

Shultz met by new NZ leader

From W. P. Reeves Wellington

New Zealand's Prime Minister elect, Mr David Lange, leader of the Labour Party which won the election on Saturday, made a special flight last night from Auckland to greet Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State at rainswept Wellington airport.

Mr Shultz was arriving to attend the ministerial council of Anzus, the defence alliance embracing the United States, New Zealand and Australia which opens in Wellington today.

The two shook hands and had a brief exchange. Mr Lange is understood to have desired to show the incoming Government's regard for the continuation of close relations with the United States, in spite of its intention to ban visits by all nuclear-armed or propelled warships.

Because of a constitutional interregnum while the writs of the election are being returned, the new Government does not take over for about a fortnight. The chairman of the Anzus meeting will therefore be Mr Warren Cooper, the Foreign Minister of the defeated Muldoon administration who campaigned strongly against Labour's nuclear ships policy during the election campaign, arguing that it would imperil the Anzus treaty.

Mr Lange denies this, and while his meeting with Mr Shultz was probably too short for the subject to have been raised last night, it no doubt will be raised at a meeting the two have arranged for tomorrow.

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Report to back break-up of British Airways monopoly

By Ian Griffiths

The Civil Aviation Authority's report on the future of Britain's airlines is expected to introduce the concept of "dual designation" as a key factor for improving competition on international routes when it is published today.

Under dual designation, which would break the monopoly of the state-owned British Airways on international routes, independent carriers would be allowed to fly on the same route as British Airways. That has been restricted in the past because of the way the system operates.

International routes can only be operated at present after a bilateral agreement has been signed by the governments of the countries involved. Once agreement has been reached, however, the Government designates the carrier, normally British Airways, to act on its behalf. That has given British Airways control of many international routes.

The main difficulty with dual designation is that it could be time-consuming to implement since bilateral agreements will have to be renegotiated by the various governments. However, some countries are keen to renegotiate and competition could be introduced more quickly on those routes.

In particular the Malaysian Government wants to increase the number of flights to London each week. It is estimated that about 25,000 passengers a year are unable to get on to the four flights a week run by British Airways and the Malaysian national carrier, Malaysian Airline System.

British Caledonian is understood to have had discussions with the Malaysian authorities and under dual designation it would be allowed to operate on the route in competition with British Airways.

The Civil Aviation Authority is also expected to face questions on the extent to which the pooling system operates on international routes.

On many routes, excluding those to the US and Hongkong, the two national carriers involved come to an arrangement under which the revenues generated by the route are split in proportion to the capacity offered.

ICI breakthrough in aircrash safety

By Michael Baily, Transport Editor

A breakthrough in air safety technology by ICI, the chemicals group, is expected to generate billions of dollars for the company over the next 20 years, while greatly reducing the risk of fire and explosion when airliners crash.

The product is an additive squirted into jet tanks when refuelling. It is expected to become mandatory for world airlines within about five years, generating worldwide sales worth between £1,000 and £2,000 a year, on which ICI would have almost a monopoly. "There are no competitors in the market and out pant situation is very strong," a group spokesman said.

The addive, known as Avgard, was developed by a small team at ICI's paints division at Slough. It has the effect of thickening kerosene in the event of impact and preventing the formation of the air-fuel mist that causes explosions.

The team leader, Mr Fred Waite, aged 53 and a chemist from Manchester, described it as an invention that could rank in commercial importance with products such as nylon and transparent plastic. He said that inventions of such significance were becoming increasingly difficult to make with the advance of scientific knowledge. "If you come up with an invention that is a progression of known art, it is not really an invention – the chances are it's been done before. You've got to make a step-jump from known evidence."

ICI's "step-jump" is the fruit of 20 years' laborious trial and error, culminating in the deliberate crashing of a Boeing jet in the Californian desert last September under close supervision by the United States Federal Aviation Authority.

If all the tests are successful, the authority has already announced that it will propose rules next year that could make the additive compulsory within five years on all jets taking off and landing in the US, half the world's airliner fleet. The rest of the world would almost certainly follow.

Avgard is a high molecular weight polymer, whose effect is similar but opposite to ICI's non-drip paints. Whereas the paint is solid in the tin and liquefies under impact from the brush, Avgard is liquid in the tank and thickens under the kind of impact caused by a crash.

It liquefies again shortly afterwards, and if the aircraft is fitted with a special pump, there is no loss of operating efficiency, ICI says. The cost of the additive is predicted at about 1 per cent of passenger ticket prices.

Avgard will almost certainly go into production in the US first, under the control of ICI's American subsidiary, and then in Britain and the Far East.

Pressure on Jenkin over BBC transmitter

By Our Political Editor

The hardest pressed member of the Government, Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary for the Environment, is coming under increasing pressure from a new quarter this week.

He is to be asked in effect to prejudge the outcome of a public inquiry into the BBC's proposal to build a radio transmitter near Stratford-upon-Avon, which threatens to put the Royal Shakespeare Theatre and other important employers out of business.

The inquiry report is imminent, and Mr Jenkin is required to make his decision before it is published. If the inspector finds for the BBC, and if Mr Jenkin upholds him, he is likely to arouse all-party opposition as powerful and vocal as he has encountered with his local government legislation.

The BBC's plan is to put up a complex of at least 24 masts, some nearly 300 feet high, at Bearley, three miles from Stratford, to increase the audibility of its World Service transmissions.

Tests on the Royal Shakespeare Theatre's equipment alarmed the theatre's administrators. The interference erased the memories of three electronic typewriters, affected two computers and put out of action a stage-lighting console.

Stratford's largest employers, NFU Mutual and Avon Insurance, say that their data processing network would be jeopardized.

BBC has dismissed the statements as alarmist. It would not compensate those whose equipment required modification to prevent interference.



Police in full riot gear making a baton charge among mourners at the funeral yesterday of an IRA man, William Price.

UDR woman soldier killed by land-mine

By Richard Ford, Belfast

Terrorists hiding in the Irish Republic killed two members of the Ulster Defence Regiment patrolling near the border at the weekend. They detonated a land mine which instantly killed Corporal Heather Kerrigan, aged 20, a single and unarmed woman, and a male colleague, Private Norman McKinley, aged 31, on Saturday morning.

The dead woman's brother, David Kerrigan, who is in his early twenties, was seriously injured in the blast, which was outside Killeter, near the co Tyrone, co Donegal border. Both dead soldiers were from Castlederg, co Tyrone.

After the explosion the patrol came under gunfire from terrorists hiding across the border and though they were able to return fire it is not thought anyone was hit. Anti-terrorist squad officers from the republic searched woodland in a follow-up operation but the terrorists had escaped to a safe haven.

Corporal Kerrigan was leading the eight-strong foot patrol when the land mine, hidden in a drain, exploded, killing her instantly. David Kerrigan was airlifted by helicopter to Omagh and after emergency surgery was described yesterday as seriously ill.

Last March the dead woman's brother-in-law, Thomas Loughlin, a UDR soldier, was killed when a Provisional IRA booby trap bomb exploded under a van outside his home in Castlederg. Miss Kerrigan and Mr McKinley had been bridesmaid and best man at his wedding.

● Several policemen were injured when mourners clashed with the Royal Ulster Constabulry at the funeral of William Price, aged 28, an IRA terrorist, near Ardboe, co Tyrone, yesterday (the Press Association reports).

Violence flared when police moved in to make sure there would be no paramilitary-style displays. Price was shot dead by the Army when on a bombing raid.

Pledge to end 'party propaganda on rates'

By Julian Haviland
Political Editor

Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Envirnment, promised the Government's supporters yesterday that a way would be found of preventing local authorities using millions of pounds of ratepayers' mon for party political propaganda.

But he also acknowledged, in a speech in Cambridge to the Conservative Political Centre, that no solution had yet been found to what he called a very difficult problem of definition and control.

Ministers are confident that their prolonged difficulties with the "paving" Bill, which prepares the way for the abolition of the Greater London council (GLC) and the six other metropolitan country councils, will be resolved when the House of Lords. Lord Whitelaw, will speak in the Bill for the first time and urge the rebellious Tory peers to accept the major concession by which the Govenment has agreed to extend the lives of the councils, thouth without fresh elections, until the ablition legislation has been passed in 1986.

The Bill will then be safe. But ministers are smarting from their comprehensive defeat in the propaganda war, and Mr Jenkins's speech was a signal that they are determined to change the rules of that war to their own advantage

Mr Jenkin said that the Labour Party was affectively bankrupt. It could not finance political campaigns so it was mugging the ratepayer.

The £6m to £7m spent by Labour councils in anti-government campaigns was quite staggering, he said. It was broadly equivalent to the entire 1983 general election national exenditure by the Conservative and Labour parties combined.

Mr Jenkin said he and his colleagues were reviewing urgently how to combat that abuse.

It is understood that legal advisers within Mr Jenkins's department have been instructed to give the highest priority to the question of stemming the flood of "political expenditure, which in the case of the GLC amounts to £5,7m, either spent or committed, on what it calls its "awareness campaign".

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Communists call for offensive against Tories

The Communist Party's national executive has urged the labour movement to go on the offensive in support of the miners' stike and against Tory policy in general (Paul Chudecki writes).

Mr George Boldon, chairman of the party and a Scottish miners' leader, told a meeting in London at the weekend that "victory for the miners is central to the fight to force the Government off the disaster course down which it is propelling Britain and the British people, and opening up possibilities of tackling Britain's crisis with different policies."

At the meeting, the party also declared its plans for restoring relations between itself and the People's Press Printing Society.

Police try to soothe angry pit villages

By Peter Davenport

Senior police officers, concerned at the creeping spread of violence into the pit villages of West Yorkshire as the miners' strike continues, launched a campaign yesterday to win the "hearts and minds" of local communities.

They visited councillors, MPs, community leaders and miners' union officials in a determined effort to end the confrontations between police and pit workers.

Senior officers are concerned about the prospects of increasingly bitter social unrest unless the situation can be brought under rapid control.

The violence which has spread from the picket lines was highlighted by clashes in the village of Fitzwilliam, near Hemsworth, last week when police and miners fought and £100,000 of damage was caused at the Kingsley drift mine near by.

It flared again early on Saturday morning in Hemsworth and the trouble there led to 18 men appearing before a special court in Pontefract later in the day. They were all remanded on bail until Thursday and the magistrates imposed a 7pm to 7am curfew.

In the pit village of Wombwell a police car was overturned and badly damaged on Saturday night and the police station at Grimethorpe, near Barnsley, had two of its windows samshed by bricks early yesterday.

There is growing concern in the pit villages of Yorkshire at the spillover of violence on to the streets. Privately senior police officers believe that some men are attacking local officers in revenge for picket line incidents, but they also say that not all the violence is caused by striking miners.

The Chief Constable of West Yorkshire, Mr Colin Sampson, has begun an inquiry with the chairman of his police committee to try to establish the causes of the violence.

Yesterday Mr John Domaille, the Assistant Chief Constable in charge of operations for West Yorkshire, said: "Some people are accusing the police of over-reaction but I must say that if people weren't doing things wrong in the first place then we wouldn't have to be there at all.

"We need to cool the situation and we are doing all we can to do that. We have now begun to get in touch with community leaders at all levels in these villages, telling them that we will police them with local officers.

"We are saying that we will do that as long as local people do not attack our officers

Tug strike threatens Llanwern

From Tim Jones
Cardiff

The decision by 59 tug boat men to join the dock strike could starve the huge Llanwern steel works of iron ore and coal supplies within ten days.

Llanwern has been sustained by constant convoys of lorries, in spite of determined, and at times violent, picketing by miners. Coal and iron ore has been loaded on to the lorries from the 100,000-ton freight carriers which berth at the deep water dock at the Port Talbot steel works.

Without the Swansea-based tugboat men the ships cannot enter the dock and one carrier is already riding idly at anchor in the bay. Without the foreign materials supplies to the steel works at Port Talbot are also threatened. The action has been taken in spite of pleas by the steel unions that the whole future of Llanwern, which employs 4,100 men, is at risk

One battery of coke ovens has already collapsed and if the lorry lifeline is stopped the blast furnaces could cool and crack, causing millions of pounds worth of damage.

Steel union leaders have already said that the long lifeline proves that Llanwern does not have to depend on indigenous coal to survive.

Plan ready for using troops in the docks

By Peter Hennessy

Troops have not marched into the docks since April, 1950, when 5,000 soldiers broke an unofficial strike of London stevedores. But the Government's Civil Contingencies Unit (CCU), the engine room of the emergency planning machine, keeps a constantly updated file on dock disputes, which contains detailed plans for the use of the armed forces.

At the maximum, the forces can release up to 20,000 men to act as labourers and drivers, bearly 7,000 more than the number of registered dockers in the UK.

The plan covers a range of contingencies from the large scale handling of foodstuffs to smaller operations such as convoys of trucks to move urgent medical supplies, a move contemplated by te Callaghan cabinet in the 1979 winter of discontent.

There are long standing plans for the shipment of essential supplies by the Royal Navy to remote locations, such as the Orkneys and Shetlands. But they have never needed to be activated.

If parts of the plan are implemented, the operation will be coordinated from the CCU in London, and run at local level by port emergency committees reporting to the Department of Transport in Whitehall.

Moving troops into the docks will require the declaration of a State of Emergency under the Emergency Powers Act of 1920.

The last docks dispute which led to the declaration of a State of Emergency took place during the Heath Government in August-September, 1972. It was settled before troops needed to be used.

If the forces do march in, great pains will be taken to avoid direct contact with pickets. It will be the duty of the police to clear a path for the troops and their vehicles.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher is not as well placed to deploy soldiers in the docks as Mr Clement Attlee, the Labour Prime Minister, who declared a State of Emergency in 1948 and again in 1949 in response to docks strikes.

He had at his disposal port labour battalions of the Royal Engineers, who had been trained as dockers to operate the Mulberry harbours during the Second World War.

The dock file, one of 16 covering key industries kept by Brigadier Tony Budd, secretary of the CCU, has, along with coal, oil and rail, always been in the small group clustered beneath electric power. Those are, potentially, the most worrying contingencies any government has to face.

Motorway may revive Port of London

By Our Transport Editor

The M25 orbital motorways looks like reviving the Port of London after years of decline.

One new ro-ro (roll-on roll-off) freight line has already opened between Tilbury (now the main location of the Port of London Authority) and Rotterdam, and the authority is talking to several other potential customers.

The M25 gives Tilbury rapid access not only to most of Greater London, which is still Britain's biggest centre for production and consumption, but also fast links via the A1 and M1 to the Midlands and the industrial North. Compared with its main rivals at Dover, Harwich, and Felixstowe, it is remarkably free from congestion; thanks partly to those ports having taken so much trade from it over the past 20 years.

European Freight Lines (EFL), which opened up a thrice-weekly round-trip service with a 2,000-ton chartered ro-ro vessel last month, is already working to capacity and plans a second vessel to double sailings

TUC suggests minimum wage of £70 a week

A statutory national minimum wage of around £70 a week is suggested in a TUC policy document published today (Paul Routledge writes).

That figure is well below the unions' own target of a £98 a week "living wage" for the low paid, which seven out of eight men but less than 50 per cent of women already earn.

The TUC is holding a conference of more than 40 unions on July 26 to decide a new strategy on low pay, including the desirability of a statutory minimum wage, and a strong push in that area of collective bargaining looks certain in the 1984-85 pay round.

The policy paper prepared for the conference says the total coast of reaching the TUC's low paid target, two thirds of average male earning, of £98 a week, would be 5 per cent across the economy as a whole, provided all other wages stood still.

Adam Kelly, aged 22, a civilian falconer, with one of the three falcons which the US Air Force is using to patrol the skies over its base at Fairford, in Gloucestershire, to curb the threat of overflying birds which if sucked into an aircraft engine can cause damage or even a crash.

No demolition for York gable

Experts examining the south transept of York Minster, severely damaged by fire a week ago, have decided that a gable containing the famous rose window will not have to be demolished. It had been feared that the 40ft gable would have to be rebuilt.

But a detailed survey by structural engineers showed that the fire had penetrated the 7ft-thick walls by only 4in.

Dilemma over export licences

By Our Sale Room Correspondent

As export licence applications for the Chatsworth drawings, sold at Christie's for £21m on July 3, pour into the Department of Trade and Industry, the art market is waiting with bated breath to see which way Mr John Rowlands the department's expert adviser, will jump.

Mr Rowlands is Keeper of Prints and Drawings at the British Museum. On each drawing for which a licence is requested, and nearly all went to foreign buyers, he must decide whether a licence should be issued or the heritage protection machinery set in motion. In the latter case, the application is referred to the Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art who, in their turn, advise the Minister for the Arts whether to withhold a licence.

In the case of the Chatworth drawings, Mr Rowlands faces an unusual quandary. He was the man chiefly responsible for the museum's negotiations with the Duke of Devonshire to acquire the drawings, which broke down over their valuation.

The museum's valuation came out at £5m while the Duke was offering the drawings at £5.5m. Having once washed his hands of the deal, saying that the offer price was too high, it will be difficult for Mr Rowlands to turn round and say that they must be saved for the nation at £21m.

The other alternatives are that he will let them all go, or that he will advise the reviewing committee that a selection are of outstanding heritage importance and a push should be made to keep them in Britain. It is understood that Mr Rowlands attended Christie's sale with the intention of bidding on six of the drawings but failed to secure any of them.

It is possible that he will, nevertheless, refer those six drawings to the reviewing committee since he clearly considers the a potentially important addition to the national collection.

The criteria by which an expert adviser must judge the national importance of a work of art were laid down by the Waverley Committee in 1950. There are three "Wavy" criteria: the object so closely connected with story and national life that its departure would be a misfortune?; is it of outstanding aesthetic importance?; is it of outstanding significance

There are those who contend that the group of 71 drawings, as a whole, qualified under both the first and third criteria. The Chatsworth collection of drawings was the first great collection of drawings formed in Britain, about 1700,his is the first dispersal from it.

If the decision is left to rest only on the second criterion, almost any selection can be argued as of "outstanding aesthetic imortance".

Oman denies Briton who died was maltreated

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

An official source from Oman has denied a report that a British citizen, allegedly arrested on the orders of a British general, died after being maltreated in an Omani prison.

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours, Labour MP for Workington, had alleged in the Commons that Mr Robin Walsh had been arrested on the orders of General Sir Timothy Creasey, seconded by Whitehall to serve as Chief of the Omani Defence Staff.

The arrest, for alleged misappropriation of Oman government funds, took place on July 6 last year. Mr Walsh, aged 48, died two days later. His body was returned to Britain and on July 25 the Home Secretary personally signed an order allowing cremation to take place without the normal medical certification.

The Observer yesterday alleged that Mr Walsh, who was detained during Ramadan, had been forced to stand outside in the full heat of the Omani summer.

It said that he had then been caught trying to drink water from a prison latrine and was "allegedly thrown into an unventilated cell with temperatures of 120F and without room to stand up". He died the next day.

Both the Foreign Office and the Ministry of Defence have refused to answer detailed questions about the case. But an official Omani source has told *The Times* that General Creasey did not order the arrest.

He said that Mr Walsh had signed a confession admitting the misappropriation of about £6,000 from the Defence Ministry tender board where he was employed; that he had been seen "at 6 am on July 8, standing up and cheerful, just 15 minutes before he died"; and that a post-mortem examination had been carried out and a death certificate signed saying that he had died of a heart attack.

The same source also said that British citizens would not have been denied food and water during daylight hours in Ramadan, although Mr Campbell-Savours was told in a Commons reply last week that Britons would not receive special treatment during Ramadan.

The source was able to say that an early draft of a Commons reply was to have told Mr Campbell-Savours that although the arrest was a matter for the Omani authorities, it was understood that detention had not been ordered by the British general. That reply was never given.

The source agreed, however, that General Creasey would have had it in his power to have kept Mr Walsh out of jail.

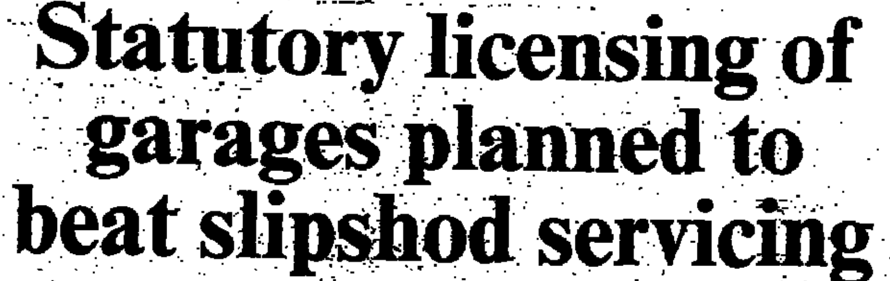
He said it had been felt that "something had to be seen to be done" about Mr Walsh. It was stated that he had been sentenced to a fortnight's imprisonment, a lenient sentence which might, nevertheless, serve as a deterrent to other expatriates.

The death of Mr Walsh was an acute embarrassment both in Muscat and in London. The Oman source said: "There was undoubtedly dismay and surprise all round because he died, poor man."

Correction

The cost of the Lloyd's redevelopment in the City of London will be £157m, not £175m as stated on July 12.

Overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 29; Belgium B Frs 50; Canada $2.75; Canaries Pes 170; Cyprus 700 mils; Denmark Dkr 8.50; Finland Mkk 8.00; France Frs 7.00; Germany DM 3.50; Greece Dr 100; Holland Gl 3.40; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2200; Luxembourg Lf 58; Madeira Esc 126; Morocco Dir 8.00; Norway Kr 9.50; Pakistan Rps 18; Portugal Esc 125; Singapore $5.00; Spain Pes 170; Sweden Skr 8.50; Switzerland S Frs 3.00; Tunisia Din 0.700; USA $1.75; Yugoslavia Din 150



Statutory licensing of garages planned to beat slipshod servicing

By Derek Harris, Commercial Editor

Sir Gordon Borrie, Director General of Fair Trading, who has been pressing for changes in the car trade to benefit consumers, is studying a North American answer: comprehensive licensing of garages.

In the United States and Canada those systems of control on the car trade do not appear to be particularly expensive to operate and also seem to produce beneficial results, Sir Gordon said last night. He was speaking at a summer school organized in Cambridge by the Institute of the Motor Industry.

In spite of the American findings by Sir Gordon and an Office of Fair Trading team, Sir Gordon said that he still had an open mind on whether there should be statutory licensing in Britain to protect consumers from slipshod car servicing and repairs.

The car trade in Britain has argued for more time to allow voluntary arrangements such as codes of practice to make their impact. Sir Gordon has acknowledged there could be difficulties in introducing a United Kingdom licensing system.

But the North American findings could play a role in any decision whether to press the Government for statutory licensing. Sir Gordon also described as a valuable experiment the introduction of licensing for car dealers by about 25 local authorities in Scotland. The Scottish results will be monitored by his office, Sir Gordon said.

He added: "I would like to see the stage reached when the motoring public can deal with members of the established industry organizations in total confidence that it is going to get a fair deal".

Difficulties still persist, Sir Gordon said. there are complaints to his office of inadequate pre-delivery checks on new cars and failure to remedy defects quickly under warranty. In the past 12 months there have been a number of instances of odometers being disconnected to disguise delivery milage, he said.

Sir Gordon has been pressing the Government to legislate so that used cars have a written report on their conditions displayed as a pre-sales checklist. Such a measure is likely to be implemented soon at federal level in the United States, he said.

Calling for better standards in car servicing, Sir Gordon questioned whether car makers should make their service schedules available not only to their franchized dealers but also to the trade and possibly even to car owners.

Low-strength whisky sales up

By Our Commercial Editor

The sales of low-price, under-strength whisky brands are increasing, while attempts continue to try to change the law on their minimum alcohol content.

If the legal problems can be overcome the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is expected to outlaw the under-strength whiskies, a move called for by the Scotch Whisky Association, which wants adherence to the traditional benchmark on scotch alcohol content of 40 per cent.

But sales of the under-strength whiskies, often in 70 centilitre bottles instead of the normal 75 centilitres, are believed to have doubled since 1980, giving them about 6 per cent of the market.

In the Co-op, Britian's biggest off-licence chain through the many retail societies, the Co-op house label whisky, Arden House, a typical under-strength brand, is now the best-selling whisky in the society's 2,500 outlets.

Less than a year after being launched it accounts for nearly a third of all Co-op whisky sales. Its nearest rival is Bells, which has a fifth of the market share.

There are about ten brands of under-strength whiskies, whose producers describe them as "light whiskies".

Such whiskies, which contain more water, have a volume alcohol content of between 37.2 and 37.5 per cent.

All but 5 per cent of the under-strength whisky sales are accounted for by Arden House, Highland Prince (produced by Edward Butler Vintners), High Commissioner (available mostly in Scotland from Glen Catrine) and Highland Mist (made by William Muir).

With most whisky sales in the doldrums the "light" blends are the only real growth area, according to Mr Martin Bryant, general manager of the Co-Operative Wholesale Society's food manufacturing group. "Why attempt to kill them off?" he said.

"Light whiskies are made from the same whisky as blends with a 40 per cent alcohol content. The only difference is that the strength is slightly lower and they are more competitively priced, selling at about £5.99 a bottle against £7.49 for standard scotch", Mr Bryant said.



Laughing matter: Members of King's College Choir School, Cambridge, who will be presenting a new musical play, *The Laughing Cavalier*, at the University Music School next week (Photograph: John Manning).

Private film funding to replace cinema tax

By Bill Johnstone, Technology Correspondent

This Wednesday the Government will publish its plans to alter the financing of the British film industry by replacing the tax currently levied on cinema seats with funding from the private sector.

A new organization will replace the National Film Finance Corporation, which has been financed since its inception in 1949 by a box office levy known as the Eady levy. It will be funded by film distributors and exhibitors, headed by Thorn-Emi and Rank. Because of diminishing cinema audiences the Eady levy raises only about £5m each year.

The cinema levy, a complicated formula which averages about 10 to 12 per cent of box office takings, has also helped to fund the National Film School, where young directors are trained and encouraged. The school would also have to be given alternative sources of finance.

The film industry has been pressing for a levy on blank video tapes to compensate for millions of pounds of revenue which it claims are lost each year through pirated video film. The Government is not keen on that as a solution, and is unlikely to endorse it.

Fear of fires as straw burning season begins

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

Despite some rain in the last few days, most of Britain is still exceptionally dry, creating an added risk of accidental fires as the straw burning season gets under way.

Friends of the Earth referred yesterday to a forecast in *The Times* last month of a bumper harvest, which would mean yet more straw to be burnt.

The group has called for a ban on burning from autumn next year, a move which could be forced on the Government if there are large numbers of serious incidents

New model by-laws were issued earlier this year by the Home Office, on the advice of the National Farmers' Union, but most local authorities have yet to adopt them.

The union has urged its members to observe a strict code of practice, which bans burning at weekends, on Bank Holidays or after dark. Fires should not be lit in strong winds, or near roads, buildings or power lines, should be limited in size and should be supervised by two experienced people.

However, it is open to doubt whether the police or the fire brigades have the resources to see that the rules are obeyed.

Police join forces in hunt for 'the Fox'

By Stewart Tendler
Crime Reporter

Several hundred police officers, including marksmen, continued to search through the villages of three counties north of London yesterday for the armed rapist and burglar nicknamed "the Fox".

The net cast for the man, thought to be in his mid-twenties, is now believed by the police to include the Bedfordshire and Buckinghamshire border and a section of Hertfordshire. At the weekend, Hertfordshire police joined a cross-border operation which already included police from Bedfordshire and the Thames Valley.

Yesterday detectives and forensic scientists were still checking details of an attempted burglary on a farmhouse near the village of Eddlesborough, where a teenage brother and sister and the girl's boyfriend were sexually assaulted in burglaries last Friday. The attempted burglary took place the next night, but police were not sure that the rapist was responsible.

The police headquarters at Dunstable reported a large volume of alarm calls from people throughout the weekend.

Worried householders kept police busy checking reports of prowlers and strange noises in the night. A police spokesman said that public anxiety had even spread to areas well beyond the known hunting ground of the burglar, who began operations about four months ago, mainly in the Leighton Buzzard area.

At first he is thought to have restricted himself to burglaries, but in the past eight weeks, the robberies have sometimes included assaults. The girl on Friday was raped twice and a few days earlier, the man had been about to attack another woman during a burglary when he was disturbed as she started screaming.

Campaign to outlaw theft of computer programs

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Government backing is expected for legislation against piracy of computer programs which, according to the industry, costs an estimated £150m a year and is threatening jobs.

A parliamentary campaign to make theft of softwae a criminal offence with swingeing penalties opens on July 24 with a ten-minute rule Bill introduced by Mr Nicholas Lyell, QC, Conservative MP for Bedfordshire Mid and chairman of the executive of the Society of Conservative Lawyers.

Mr Kenneth Baker, Minister for Information Technology, has said that it is essential that the industry "should be in a position to protect itself against unlawful copying". The Government is also known to accept the need for an overall change in the copyright Act.

Mr Lyell's Bill would make theft of software subject to the same penalties for infringing copyright in sound recordings and video films.

They can include an unlimited fine and up to two years' jail for making for sale, importing or distribution articles known to infringe copyright. There are lesser penalties for selling, possessing or exhibiting such material.

By itself the Bill will have no chance of changing the law, but it is intended to prepare the ground for legislation via either a private member's Bill or the House of Lords, with government backing likely.

Mr Lyell hopes to talk to Mr Baker's department about detail to be included in his Bill, which would also provide for search warrants in relation to infringement.

There is strong backing for reform among Conservative lawyers and the computer industry. A sub-committee of the Society of Conservative Lawyers blames successive governments for failing to give the industry the copyright protection it needs.

The Federation Against Software Theft, funded by computer companies, says that annual software theft is equal at least to the combined turnover in Britain of seven of the biggest firms.

Woolworth test Sunday trading law

Woolworth opened its store in Kensington, west London, yesterday for the second successive Sunday, in the belief that it is not in breach of the Act which forbids such trading (Bill Johnstone writes).

A spokesman for Woolworth said: "We feel it is within the spirit of the law. We view this very much as a holiday store."

The company already opens its stores in holiday resorts on Sundays. It claims that many other shops in Kensington are open on Sundays and cater mainly to tourist traffic.

A spokesman for Kensington and Chelsea Council said that the store had not received permission to open on a Sunday.

Scotland has a liberal attitude to Sunday trading and the Goverment is reviewing the law as it relates to England.

BR tea to cost more

The price of a cup of tea or coffee on trains goes up by 2p today. A sandwich will cost 4p more, and 40p will be added to the bill for a set meal, Travellers' Fare, British Rail's catering subsidiary announced yesterday.

But there was good news for older male passengers. British Rail is considering lowering the age limit for men to qualify for a senior citizen's railcard from 65 to 60. The card costs £12 a year and gives half price tarvel on most journeys.

Heart machines 'useless'

Heart-rate machines installed at chemists' to take one's pulse were useless, Professor Jack Shillingford, consultant medical director of the British Heart Foundation, said yesterday.

Victims of heart disease often have normal pulse readings, he said. A normal reading could mislead people into thinking they had no need to visit their doctor, possibly with serious results.

Prestel starts school service

Prestel, the viewdata service of British Telecom, is to launch a new service in January aimed at Britain's 7,500 secondary schools and local education authority teachers' and advisory centres. Schools will be able to receive computer programs down the telephone line, get advice on how to develop information technology skills and a guide to courses at universities, polytechnics and institutes of higher education.

BBC granted Forces contract

BBC Enterprises has won the contract, worth a six-figure sum, to provide up to 70 hours a week of television programming to the British Armed Forces and their families stationed in West Germany.

The two-year contract, currently held by London Weekend Television, starts next April.

Cash plea by Dickens museum

By John Witherow

An appeal for £6,500 towards the cost of cataloguing a collection of 8,000 slides and photographs at the Dickens House Museum in Doughty Street, central London has been launched by the privately funded museum.

The museum is in the house where Charles Dickens worked on *Pickwick Papers*, *Oliver Twist* and *Nicholas Nickleby* between 1837 and 1839.

Part of the difficulty for researchers is dating the photographs. An unusual picture of Dickens without a beard or moustache is thought to have been taken in 1852 when he had already been for some considerable time the most famous author in England.

But Dr David Parker, the curator, believes there is "confusion and dispute" over such dates. The only answer is to work carefully through Dickens' diaries, letters and memoirs to try to pinpoint the year.

The museum is prepared even to check records of the better known photographic studios to see if they mention sittings for Dickens. The clothes Dickens was wearing for the photograph were considered "stylish and dandified", Dr Parker says. When Dickens made his lecture tours of the United States, where he delivered graphic readings of his novels, he was thought rather vulgar by conventional American society.

A 'spy' sketch showns Dickens at the time of his death in 1870, when he was aged 58.

Dickens in about 1852 (top), a sketch by Andre Gill and Leslie Ward's "spy" drawing.

Student achievement: 1

New ways to polish up the end-of-term report

The Government will tomorrow publish its final policy on the introduction of schoolchildren's records of achievement. COLIN HUGHES, in the first of a two-part series, explains a step which some educationists believe will transform the comprehensive classroom.

Dr Alan Wilmott, senior researcher at the Oxford Delegacy of Local Examinations, presents what he admits is a "starry-eyed scenario" of the comprehensive school in 20 years time.

Pupils will be better motivated, no longer driving hard down a narrow track towards the buffer of examinations; teachers of different subjects will talk to each other about their common pupils; standards will rise with motivation; pupils will become more active in and out of school; and employers will at last be aware of what their job candidates have spent their secondary years learning.

If this revolution is to be achieved the prime catalyst will be an innovation known, in typically obscure educational jargon, as student records of achievement.

Now, while the idea has barely left the research launching pad, enthusiasm within the teaching profession is infectious. As yet, however, parents have not begun to understand or even be aware of a change which could radically transform their children's lives at school and beyond.

Most pupils leaving school at 16 this week will take with them nothing more than a collection of examination certificates as evidence of the past five years. One in seven will not have even those. They may carry a "testament" from the headmaster, a kind of character reference for employers, but it will probably be ill-informed and vague.

A few thousand, whose schools have been running primitive experiments, will carry a "pupil profile". That is where the idea begins.

Profiling, as it exists now, usually comprises a self-assessment by the pupil, general comments by form tutors and subject teachers about character and ability, and sometimes a grid, in which basic skills and abilities are marked from satisfactory to good.

Mr James Craig, head teacher at Acland Burghley school in north London, has been running a profile scheme for several years, and now has pupils from their first year filling in slips which describe all their activities from gardening to acting in the BBC series Grange Hill.

Teachers become more aware of their pupils' abilities during discussions of the profile often with parents present. Already, motivation is boosted; more able children lose their contempt for the less able who can still succeed in non-academic pursuits.

At the end of their fifth year, leavers will see their profiles drawn together into a complete character pack, with examination results added, to present to any employer who wants a fuller account of the prospective employee.

Schemes being developed by the Oxford Delegacy, the Northern Examining Association and the Inner London Education Authority, turn this simple tool to encourage children and set them regular goals into a sophisticated system which some educationists believe will eventually relegate examinations to mere confirmation of ability.

The extra ingredient is graded assessment, or credit accumulation: once more, the jargon renders education impenetrable to its users and consumers. Many schools are already experimenting with graded assessment in modern languages.

Each time a pupil is deemed able to carry a certain task, such as give simple directions in French, he or she gets a small certificate from the teacher to prove it.

The Northern Examining Association will tomorrow announce that it intends to begin work on a whole range of possible elements to be included in the final record, including credit accumulation. Some schools, including Portsmouth Boys' School, are already going ahead with the innovation next year.

The diversity of ideas on what records of achievement should contain is already bewildering. So when the Government publishes its final policy tomorrow it can only be hoped that the educationists' excitement will be marshalled

For, as the Schools Council commented three years ago: "Ill-considered innovation in this area could burden teachers with impossible judgments, pupils with unmarketable qualifications, and users with unmanageable information."

Tomorrow: Where will it lead?



Paris parade: President Mitterrand reviewing troops on the Champs Elysée during Saturday's Bastille Day ceremony.

Bombs hit Paris as extremists retaliate

Paris (Reuter) – An extreme left-wing group has made three bomb attacks in central Paris after the arrest of several of its members. Government offices and a research institute were hit.

Action Directe, banned in 1982 after a series of bombings and shootings, launched its latest offensive on Thursday night when an explosion rocked a building housing the Atlantic Institute, an independent think-tank on international affairs.

Two similar attacks severely damaged annexes of the Defence and Industry ministries at the weekend. The only casualties resulted from the third blast, on Saturday night, when two people were injured in their homes by flying glass, and a motorist rammed a parked car.

In each case, Action Directe claimed responsibility in telephone calls to a news agency. The group did not specify its aim, but police believe it was signalling its resolve to hit back after the recent arrest of four of its members.

On Friday, a court here charged three of them with murder in connexion with the shooting of two police officers

Tugendhat attacks EEC veto

From Our Own Correspondent Brussels

The EEC must no longer allow a minority view among member states to block its progress, Mr Christopher Tugendhat, the Conservative British Commissioner, said this weekend.

Delivering the Swinton Lecture at St John's College, Cambridge, to an audience of leading members of his party on Saturday evening, the Budget Commissioner caled for what amounted to an end to the right of veto on EEC decisions.

He outlined a radical new way for the Community to work out its policies, arguing that it should become normal for programmes to be carried out without all member states taking part.

It was an idea, he said, already being discussed in a number of EEC capitals.

Mr Tugendhat, who retires from the Commission at the end of this year, called for a Europe of concentric circles, with the Community at the centre and other policies and forms of cooperation radiating out from it.

"If the spirit of Europe is to be maintained, an effort should always be made to include all member states in everything," he said. "But if, for one reason or another, a member state does not wish to go ahead, that should not become a reason for doing nothing. Those who believe it right to proceed should be able to do so."

He cited EEC sanctions against Argentina during the Falklands war as an example of how the Community was already showing flexibility. The Irish Republic and Italy had been unable to agree on maintaining sanctions, "but it was far better that eight should have acted in concert

Mr Tugendhat believed that this precedent might have to be carried a good deal further if EEC members, who were also in Nato added a security dimension to their foreign policy cooperation.

Britain should not opt for minimalist participation in such a system. "It will be those countries which participate in everything who will wield the greatest influence and determine the form and direction of Europe's future," he said.

Europe and a hungry world: 1

From food mountains to aid molehills

The United Nations has just estimated that the world population will more than double over the next century, even though malnutrition has reached epidemic proportions and millions of children are starving to death every year. In the first of two articles from Brussels, Ian Murray reports on the difficulties of trying to help by using the infamous EEC food mountains.

In the course of the past decade the EEC has found that indiscriminate food aid can have a damaging effect. On the one hand any supply of cheap food which is in direct competition with locally grown production drives down prices and forces farmers off the land and into the overcrowded cities.

On the other hand a supply of goods which cannot be grown locally creates consumer needs which can only ever be met by imports. This in turn increases the country's debt and makes it permanently dependent on bought food.

The Community's annual court of auditors' report gives frequent proof of the inadequacy and inefficiency of providing food aid as food. Every year it throws up chilling examples of incompetence and even downright dishonesty which make it clear that with the best will in the world it is very difficult to get Community aid into the right months.

On top of that the Community surpluses tend to be of the wrong kind. Butter is nearly useless. Skimmed milk powder is not much better, relying heavily on the availability of clean water for mixing. Wine is inappropriate. Olive oil has few takers. Only cereals are universally acceptable and they are among the products most likely to undermine local agriculture.

Cereals also present real problems on the international market. If they are sold at knock-down prices they risk charges of trade war from the United States. If they are sold at higher prices they add to the debt problem of the poor countries. If they are given away they cost the European taxpayer much more money than he is prepared to pay – and still they do not solve the hunger problem.

It is for all these reasons that the Community is now ready to change its food strategy from one of supplementing stocks to one of increasing food self-sufficiency. This follows the modest success of a two-year experimental scheme in Mali, Kenya, Rwanda and Zambia, which has shown that this is the only really successful long-term solution.

The idea is that where appropriate the Community will provide the expertise to create or recreate farming in areas which cannot produce the food the population needs. This is meant to form the basis of one of the key parts of the new Lomé Convention, now under negotiation.

It is also an extemely delicate subject politically, because the EEC feels that its help could be wasted without proper cooperation on the spot with the local authorities. Yet the developing countries are deeply suspicious of any interference in the way they organize their programmes.

There is another irony, which makes the whole sorry situation even more difficult: many of the world's hungry live in countries where there is a food suplus. India, statistically, has a food surplus. Several South American countries with chronic malnutrition in large sectors of the population are food exporters.

In consequence it is not just a question of finding ways of producing the food but of helping to create the wealth which enables people to buy it. That in turn means wider trading rights, industrial cooperation and generally finding ways of improving the economy of the developing world.

That is something well beyond the competence of the EEC on its own, and a task which in comparison makes the butter-mountain problem shrink to molehill proportions.

Tomorrow: Trade and hunger

Phoenix to be kept as a theatre

London's Phoenix Theatre, which has been on the market since March, will be saved for future playgoers by its new owners who expect to complete the contract for the property by the end of this month (David Hewson writes).

Chesterfield Properties, which already owns the Comedy Theatre and the Curzon Cinema, is thought to be the leading contender to take over the Charing Cross road theatre and the complex of shops and flats which accompany it. But a consortium of anonymous London showbusiness and leisure figures have also put in a bid for the Phoenix in the hope of building a television studio into the comples.

Both parties are determined to keep open the theatre, a grade II listed building

The property was put on the market as part of the Flint-Shipman family trust, which did not rule out a change of use.

Mr Roger Wingate, the Managing director of Chesterfield, said that he hoped to conclude the deal to buy the complex before the end of the month. The price is expected to be less than the owner's original asking price of £2.75m.

Glue sniffing guidelines inadequate, JPs say

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Home Office guidelines sent to chief police officers on how to tackle glue sniffers are being criticized by magistrates and their clerks as inadequate.

The Home Office has told the police to adopt an informal approach in tackling glue sniffers, offering help and advice and discussing their behaviour "in a low-key way".

Issued in response to concern that the police are powerless to deal with glue sniffing, the circular says that criminal law is not the most effective way of tackling solvent abuse.

But both the Magistrates' Association and the Justices' Clerks Society, the chief legal advisers to magistrates, say that the police need statutory powers to detain juveniles found sniffing.

Mr Brian Harris, QC, clerk to the Poole, Dorset, justices, welcomed the emphasis on an informal approach. But the guidelines were defective, he said, in regard to the more difficult children who did not fall into the "at risk" category and were not inclined to accept help.

"I foresee a number of cases with difficult children hanging around in city areas openly sniffing in the public view, about which the police can do nothing. It's putting them in a very difficult situation."

He said that the police should have the power to detain a child in a place of safety such as a hospital, police station or home so that a parent, doctor or social worker could be contacted.

Mr Geoffrey Norman Magistrates' Association secreta ry, said that the circular failed to recognize the problem of imitative behaviour and the "corrupting influence of older children in introducing younger ones to solvent abuse".

Glue sniffing is not a criminal offence and the government is not intending to make it one, or to give the police formal powers. But it has said that it will back legislation extending to England and Wales the Scottish offence of selling substances to young people

The circular spells out the circumstances where the Home Secretary believes that the police can detain juveniles in a place of safety.

These are where the juvenile is thought to be an habitual misuser or is known to be abused or neglected at home, or in an emergency such as when a plastic bar is seen being placed over the head or an aerosol sprayed into the mouth.

Parents fail to recognize measles risk

By Thomson Prentice Science Correspondent

Children are at significant risk from measles because their parents mistakenly look on the disease as being trivial, a report published today says. Between 15 and 20 children may have died from measles in the past year and up to 600 have been seriously ill, according to the Office of Health Economics.

Public attitudes have led to only about half the children in England and Wales being vaccinated against the disease, whereas measles vaccination is almost universal in the United States.

The report says cases of the disease were at least 50 times more numerous compared with the United States in 1982, and notifications of it were 250 times the United States total, when expressed as a rate per head of population.

More than 100,000 measles cases were notified to the health authorities last year. The report estimates that between 15 and 20 children will have died as a result, 500 to 600 will have suffered convulsions, and five children have probably been left brain damaged.

The report also highlights the need to encourage more girls aged between 10 and 14 years to be immunized against rubella, or German measles. Unprotected women run the risk of having babies born with heart deficiency, deafness and other defects if they are exposed to rubella during early pregnancy.

The Government target for rubella immunization is 95 per cent, but in spite of a publicity campaign, the figure is 83 per cent. The report predicts that the target will not be reached for another six years.

Childhood Vaccination: Current Controversies (Office of Health Economics, 12 Whitehall, London SW1A 2DY; £1).

White trio on ANC spy charge

From Michael Hornsby Johannesburg

A white conscript, Mr Roland Hunter, is to be tried in Pretoria next month, accused of spying for the banned African National Congress.

Two other whites, Mr Derek Hanekom, and his wife, Patricia, will appear with him on the same charge of treason. They are accused of recruiting him for the ANC and of arranging his contacts with the organization.

Mr Hunter is alleged to have stolen, copied and removed "a large variety of documents and items pertaining to intelligence on military structures, personnel and operations". These included lists of names and addresses of South African Defence Force personnel

The Hanekoms are said to have recruited Mr Hunter in February last year, when he was a clerk in a Defence Force intelligence office.

Polish poll goes quietly

Warsaw (Reuter) – A second round of voting, Poland's first local government- elections since the Solidarity upheaval, was held yesterday.

The poll, to elect almost 800 councillors chosen by the authorities, was surrounded by none of the propaganda generated by both sides before the first round. Solidarity did not repeat its boycott appeal.

Voting was restricted to 85 districts where the turnout was less than 50 per cent in the first round on June 17, when clandestine leaders of the banned free trade union called for a boycott. The Government said 75 per cent of the 26 million voters took part in the first round and described the result as a serious defeat for the opposition.

Solidarity claimed its own checks on the vote showed a boycott o up to 40 per cent, equal to the 10 million members of the union before it was suppressed under martial law

Madrid seeks UK deal on extradition

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

Señor Fernando Ledesma, Spain's Minister of Justice, believes it is "urgent and important" to start negotiations with Britain on a new extradition treaty.

"We are willing to do everything necessary to stop Englishmen finding refuge here in Spain from British justice," the minister said in an interview with *The Times* at the weekend.

Serious negotiations by top officials of Britain and Spain could resolve the problems in a matter of months, he said. The picture conveyed of Spain as a haven for fugitives from British justice was an absolutely unwanted image.

"Spain should not and cannot become a refuge, just as I suppose British citizens would not like the Spanish choosing England precisely to avoid Spanish justice."

Questioned about press reports that five Britons, sought by Scotland Yard in connexion with inquiries into two large robberies last year, are living in luxury on Spain's Costa del Sol, Señor Ledesma said: "Of course, we do not like it."

He said the situation did not exist with other European countries. "Bilteral arrangements function, very well and without any difficulties or obstacles. At Cabinet meetings we regularly have before us extradition requests in significant numbers from West Germany, the United States, France and Italy, and they go through."

Figures produced by Spanish officials showed that a total of 106 extradition requests by West Germany were approved by the Spanish Cabinet in the past 18 months. Of these 53 were for alleged fraud, embezzlement and robbery committed in Germany.

Señor Ledesma suggested that the European conbination on extradition, in force in Spain since 1982, should be used as a model for a new bilateral treaty with Britain.

Even the absence of a treaty, he said, did not exclude "the possibility of arrangements in concrete, particular cases based on the principle of reciprocity".

Señor Ledesma, aged 44, a former magistrate and law professor who beloged to the Justicia Democratica movement during the last years of the Franco regime, argued that British public opinion ought to be more aware of the guarantees protecting the rights of all accused persons, including foreigners, developed under Spain's 1978 democratic constitution.

Things were now very different from the time when people were handed over to Franco's police, he said.

● ETA SUSPECTS: As two Basque separatists arrived in Madrid, Spain hailed Belgium's decision to extradite them as an important step in combating European terrorism.

Jose Arteche, aged 23, and Salvador Ormaza, aged 28, are the first suspected ETA guerrillas any democratic Spanish goverment since 1977 has succeeded in extraditing from another European country.

Soldier shot Aquino report says

From Keith Dalton Manila

The killing of the Philippine opposition leader, Benigno Aquino, was part of a military conspiracy and his assassin was a soldier rather than a hired communist gunman as the Government claims, two law associations told the commission investigating the former senator's death.

Details of their joint submission, released at the weekend, coincide with the reported death in a military hospital of Mr Rosendo Cawigan, the only civilian to support military claims that the Aquino murder was a communist plot. Mr Cawigan, aged 44, died on Friday of a heart ailment,

A self-confessed double agent, he had been under protective military custody since he testified that a communist agent, Rolando Galman, was hired to kill Mr Aquino

Some of the panel's five members privately complained that Mr Cawigan was an unreliable witness whose testimony was contradictory and unsubstantiated. The Philippines Bar Association and Catholic Lawyers Group of the Philippines, both acredited independent observers during the eight-month inquiry, dismissed the possibility that Mr Galman was the assassin.

● APPEAL REJECTED: The Philippines Government has rejected an appeal by Cardinal Sin, Archbishop of Manila, for a general amnesty for political dissdents (Reuter reports).

Malaysia reshuffles Cabinet

From M. G. G. Pillai, Kuala Lampar

Malaysian Cabinet reshuffles are rarely dramatic. The emphasis is on continuity and a reluctance to hurt feelings, enabling even the most ineffient ministers to serve out the six years needed to qualify for the maximum state pension.

So, when Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, the Prime Minister, dropped three ministers and two deputy ministers, and created a new portfolio for justice, he was, by local standards, innovative.

The changes left Tunku Razaleigh Hamzah, the Finance Minister and bitter political rival of Datuk Musa Hitam, the Deputy Prime Minister, out of the power structure as he now holds no party positions. But he remains in the Cabinet as the Trade and Industry Minister.

The new Finance Minister is Mr Daim Zainuddin, aged 45, a close friend and multimillionaire businessman. Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie, aged 62, retired as Foreign Minister, the last of the ministers appointed by Tunku Abdul Rahman, the first Prime Minister.

Among the five new deputy ministers is proffessor Datuk Yusuf Noor, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor from the National University and a religious scholar, who will look after Islamic affairs.

The Cabinet: Prime Minister, Defence: Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Deputy Prime Minister, Home Affairs: Datuk Musa Hitam; Justice: Datuk James Ongkili; Without Portfolio: Datuk Khalil Yaacob; Housing and Local Government: Datuk Neo Yee Pan; Public Works: Datuk S. Samy Vellu; Foreign Affairs: Tunku Ahmad Rithaudeen; Welfare Services: Datuk Abu Hassan Omar; Trade and Industry: Tunku Razaleigh Hamzah; Finance: Mr Daim Zaimuddin.

Transport: Tan Sri Chong Hon Nyan; Primary Industries: Datuk Paul Leong Khee Seong; Agriculture: Mr Annuar Ibrahim; Public Enterprises: Datin Paduk Rafidah Aziz; Land and Regional Development: Datuk Adib Adam; National and Rural Development: Datuk Sanusi Junid; Labour: Datuk Mak Hon Kam; Information: Datuk Rais Yatim; Science, Technology and Environment: Datuk Stephen Yong; Health: Datuk Chin Hon Ngiam; Federal Territory: Datuk Shahrir Abdul Samad; Culture, Youth and Sports: Datuk Sulaiman Daud.

Train driver held after Yugoslav crash kills 31

Ljubljana, Yugoslavia (AP) – The Red Cross yesterday said 31 people had lost their lives in a train crash near the Italian border on Saturday.

A goods train ploughed into the back of a crowded overnight express which had stopped at Divaca, a village about 15 miles south of the Italian city of Triese. Yugoslav state radio reported 36 deaths, but a Red Cross official yesterday said: The final count is 31."

The official said 33 people were injured, four critically, but all were expected to survive.

Decerne Novosti newspaper, published in Belgrade, said there were no foreigners among the casualties.

The express, travelling from Belgrade to the Adriatic resort towns of Koper and Pula, was carrying about 1,500 people on the first weekend of the peak holiday season.

The goods train rammed the stationary express at a speed of about 37 mph, heavily damaging the last three carriages, the state-run Tanjug news agency said.

The driver of the goods train was arrested. Sunday newspapers said investigations continued but it appeared he failed to heed two flashing red stop signals.

Damage was estimated at more than 64m dinars (about £340,000 with 16 goods wagons also destroyed.

CASTELGANDOLFO: The Pope prayed yesterday for the dead and injured (Reuter reports). He told thousands of pilgrims attending the Angelus service at his summer retreat that he expressed solidarity with the families of the dead

Gandhi sets up special courts in drive against Sikh extremists

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi

The Indian Government this weekend forged another weapon for its armoury against Sikh extremism. By presidential ordinance it created a new system of anti-terrorist courts designed to speed justice for those accused of extremist crimes and to protect the courts from interference and intimidation.

The ordinance (which will cover the whole of India except Jammu and Kashmir, where different rules apply) empowers Delhi to declare an area terrorist-affected, and in such an area to set up special courts for trying extremist-related offences.

These would cover the whole gamut of offences from waging war on the state, through abetting mutiny and promoting enmity between the classes, to making remarks prejudicial to national integrity.

The courts will sit *in camera*, so that witnesses may give their evidence without being intimidated. According to one report, the rule for the conduct of certain cases is likely to change too, to reduce the burden of proof placed upon the prosecution.

Under the Indian constitution, the Government may legislate by presidential ordinance when Parliament is not sitting (the monsoon season begins next week), but the ordinances have to be confirmed by Parliament when it reassembles. It is, however, a rather simpler procedure than the usual enactment of a parliamentary Bill, and can be put in operation immediately.

It was widely reported that Sant Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, the Sikh leader who died in the Army operation against the Golden Temple of Amritsar last month, used to interfere with the course of justice in Punjab by the simple expedient of making threatening telephone calls to witnesses, court officials and judges. The Government plainly wishes to stop such intimidation.

Meanwhile, Delhi is ensuring that today's planned march of "martyrs' bands" towards the Golden Temple does not take place.

A number of preemptive arrests of middle-rank leaders of the Sikh political party has been made, and marchers have been given warning that orders prohibiting the gathering of more than four people in public will be strictly enforced.

Quirk of empire fuels a war

A legal anomaly hanging over from the days of the East India Company is claimed by the tribal inhabitants of an area ***in the south of Bihar state to*** **mean they are not part of India, and may indeed owe allegiance to Britain instead (Michael Hamlyn writes from Delhi).**

The area, 1,200 square miles of forests and hills called Kolhan in the Singhbhum ("Lion-Territory") district of the state, is inhabited by people of the Ho tribe. Captain Thomas Wilkinson, an agent of the governor general in Calcutta, first brought the area under the control of what was then the South-West Frontier Agency in 1833.

He framed his own rules which had the effect of bringing the area under the direct management of the British Government.

Mr Christ Anand Topno, who was described as in charge of legal affairs and foreign affairs for the "Government of Kolhan", is still in jail after being arrested in 1981.

But Mr Narayan Jonko, who describes himself as the head of the Kolhan government, escaped to the hills, and has since waged a war on the Government.

Troops fire to disperse Kashmir protesters

Srinagar (Reuter) – Indian paramilitary troops fired in the air and police used riot sticks to disperse demonstrators planning a memorial march in this city, the capital of the sensitive state of Jammu and Kashmir.

About 300 protesters waving black flags and shouting "God is great", followed the sacked Chief Minister, Mr Farook Abdullah, who emerged from hiding at the weekend to lead the banned march.

Security forces fired three shots in the air and police used riot sticks to break up the procession. Witnesses said the shooting panicked the demonstrators, who fled back to the party office. No casualties were reported.

Mr Abdullah said the protest was to have replaced the march traditionally held on July 13 to commemorate a 1931 uprising against the Hindu ruler of the predominantly Muslim state. Authorities banned the march this year, saying they feared violence.

"We will take out this procession even if the police and paramilitary start shooting us," Mr Abdullah said earlier, at his headquarters.

Srinagar's deputy Inspector-General of Police, Mr A. M. Watali, said he told Mr Abdullah he would have to apply in writing for permission from the state authorities if he planned to lead another protest march.



Taking a break: President Marcos of the Philippines resting during a surprise visit to an army camp.

Damascus imposes ceasefire in northern Lebanon

From Robert Fisk, Beirut

An attempt by Mr Suleiman Franjieh, the former president, to increase his Christian Maronite power base in northern Lebanon was brought to a temporary halt yesterday by the Syrians. They imposed a ceasefire on his Marada private army and the small Syrian National Socialist Party militia attacked by Marada last Wednesday at a cost of 40 lives, most of them civilians.

Mr Frankieh, a close friend of Colonel Rifaat Assad, the Syrian Vice-President and brother of President Assad, sent his bespectacled son, Robert, to Damascus where he was prevailed upon – but not admonished – by Mr Abdul Halim Khaddam, another of Syria's three vice-presidents, to abide by a truce. Mr Khaddam is in no position to threaten Mr Franjieh when the latter has such powerful friends, although the ceasefire duly went into effect yesterday morning.

Local Lebanese police in the area of the fighting said both sides were reinforcing their positions around Khoura, part of Lebanon under Syrian occupation. This is not surprising since the battles of the past four days have been far more than an inter-militia squabble.

Mr Suleiman Franjieh, while ostensibly an ally of Damascus, made it clear at the Lausanne conference on the future of Lebanon in March that he would not participate in the new Syrian-supported Government of President Gemayel. Since that date, he has attempted to extend his own Maronite fiefdom in the Cedar Mountains above Ehden in the hope that he might one day link up with the Maronite regions to the south, under rival Phalangist control.

By advancing into the Khoura district, whose local National Socialist militia is largely Greek Orthodox, he is bringing his own Christian force closer to that of the Phalange.

If the Phalangists break apart – perhaps with the death of their aging leader, Mr Pierre Gemayel – then Franjieh might be in a position to lead a unified Christian enclave stretching from Beirut north to the edge of Triploi. The Franjieh family would thus be in the ascendant



Mr Franjieh: Seeking to extend his fiefdom.

Stranded yachtsman fears for his life

From a Correspondent, Perth

An English yachtsman, fleeing from a murder charge in the Philippines, is stranded in Sabah, Malaysia, with two young Australian-born daughters.

Mr George Anthon aged 45, told *The Times* last night that he was living in fear of his life because he had killed a man involved with drug and gunrunning rackets.

Mr Anthony said he had shot a "drunken maniac" who broke into his yacht in the Philippines last April and attacked his daughters, Michelle, aged 7, and Katrina, aged 9.

"I fired two warning shots but he ignored them – I had no choice but to shoot him," Mr Anthony said. "When I found he was dead, I sent my crewmen for the police and was arrested."

After the arrest, he spent some months in jail with his daughters, he alleged. "Eventually, I was released on $A20,000 (£12,500) bail but then I started receiving death threats. I believe they came from friends of the man I killed.

"The only way to save my children was to escape to another country so I paid another $A20,000 to charter a yacht to Sabah in Malaysia."

Mr Anthony believed his family would be safe in Malaysia because it had no extradition treaty with the Philippines, but local authorities were now threatening to deport him back to Manila, he said.

He was expecting to be placed on a plane to the Philippines at 1.30 pm local time yesterday, with his children. *The Times* was unable to contact him at his hotel after this and staff said they had no idea where he was.

As he spoke of fears for his family's safety during an earlier call, his daughters' voices could be heard.

Their mother, Mrs Dorothy Anthony, aged 35, of Busselton, Western Australia, said her ex-husband "took the children illegally from Australia two years ago although she had been awarded custody by the courts. She said she had been attempting to have the children returned through a legal action in the Philippines.

A senior Australian Foreign Affairs Department spokesman in Canberra, Mr John McCarthy, confirmed that Mr Anthony was wanted on a murder charge in the Philippines.

Dali breaks retreat to see gallery

Figueras (AFP) – Salvador Dali emerged from a year of seclusion for the first time on Friday, paying an impromptu visit to a gallery devoted to his work in this north eastern Spanish town where he was born near the French border.

Dali, aged 80, was away for almost two hours from his castle at Pubol in Gerona province

Leaning on his silver tipped walking stick and accompanied by his manservant, Arturo, and artist friend and a nurse, the painter left his home soon after 10pm to drive the short distance to Figuerras Museum.

He looked happy and onlookers heard him say: "I want to work. I want to see my gallery. I want to view my latest work."



Salvador Dali: First sortie after a year.

Talks on hotline going well

From Mohsin Ali
Washington

US and Soviet officials are due to hold a further session of their "businesslike and productive" talks here today on modernizing the so-called crisis "hotline" between their two capitals.

The State Department would not comment on reports that the negotiators were nearing agreement. It refused to predict when the talks, begum last Wednesday, would be completed.

The fourth round is part of a continuing effort by the two superpowers to upgrade the White House-Kremlin communications link designed to stave off misunderstanding during crises which could lead to accidental war.

Last year President Reagan proposed a modernised hotline as a further confidence-building measure. The talks which have been going on for nearly a year are an exception to the generally chilly US-Soviet relations.

The present hotline, installed soon after the Cuban missile crisis 22 years ago, uses a slow, 66-word per minute teleprinter. The improved system that the American side wants to see installed in the two capitals would permit almost istantaneous transmission of messages, maps, charts and other graphics.

Embassy messages may mark Falklands thaw

From Douglas Tweedale, Buenos Aires

Argentina and Britain have exchanged diplomatic messages which could mark progress in talks on the Falkland Islands, the leading daily newspaper, *Clarin*, reported yesterday.

The newspaper said the Argentine Foreign Ministry "responded last week to a British communication sent through the Swiss embassy". It spoke of renewed optimism in London.

According to diplomatic sources in Buenos Aires, communication between the two sides has never actually been interrupted, although "it has been quite slow in recent months".

● MISSILE FEAR: Mr Tom Dalyell, Labour MP for Linlithgow, has asked Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, how seriously he takes a report that Argentina is developing a missile which could hit the Falklands from the Argentine mainland (the Press Association reports).

In a letter Mr Dalyell asks Mr Hesletine what steps he would be prepared to take to defend troops and civilians on the island and its airport.

Third parties help Lange to oust Muldoon in New Zealand poll

From W. P. Reeves
Wellington

With considerable help from the mixed fortunes of third parties, Labour yesterday dispatched the Muldoon Government.

Although it captured only 43 per cent of the vote Mr David Lange's party won a majority on Saturday night, of 17 seats in the 95-member Parliament. The outgoing National Party Government had ruled with an effective majority of one until a backbencher last month withdrew from the caucus, precipitating the snap election.

The average swing to Labour was a little over 4 per cent but was far from uniform across the country. Five Cabinet ministers – Mr Hugh Templeton, Trade and Industry; Mr Ben Couch, Police and Maori Affairs; Mr Jonathan Elworthy, Lands; Mr Aussie Malcolm, Health; and Dr Ian Shearer, Broadcasting – lost their seats, along with Sir Richard Harrison, who was Speaker throughout Sir Robert Muldoon's nine-year administration.

The results in five other electorates held by the National Party with election-night majorities of fewer than 300 may be upset when all the votes are in.

The outcome reflects a strong anti-Muldoon sentiment, reflecting a desire for an alternative to what has been called his divisive and arrogant style of government.

The three principal parties ranged against the National Party all concentrated on attacking the outgoing Prime Minister's style. The New Zealand Party, a right-wing group founded out of disillusionment with National because of its tolerance of Muldoon's interventionist economic strategy, helped Labour to victory.

"We destroyed the Government", Mr Robert Jones, the New Zealand Party's leader said yesterday. Although winning no seats, the party took slightly more than 12 per cent of the vote, most of it from National. The collapse of the Social Credit vote from 21 per cent to about eight also helped Labour.

Mr Lange, who has promoted himself as a non-doctrinaire consensus man, built his campaign around the need for national reconciliation. The details of Labour policies were always thin on the ground. He attributes victory to having defined the issues and captured the public mood.

He said yesterday that his immediate priorities were to achieve a careful transiition, allocate the portfolios to his parliamentary party's selections for Cabinet ranking, tell the truth, open the country's books, call Parliament together and start to work at overcoming the country's difficulties.

He proposes to call various groups together to seek cooperation on economic recovery, much as Mr Bob Hawke, the Australian Prime Minister, did on his election.

Sir Robert blames defeat on the "spurious appeal" of Mr Jones and what he calls his "greedies". Having engineered Labour's victory, they would suffer the most from it, he said. As to his future, Sir Robert sees himself as leader of the Opposition and Prime Minister again in three years.

His determination to hold on poses a dilemma for the National Party. Grumbles about his unorthodoxies have been going on for a long time, and the New Zealand Party vote testifies to the damage defections can inflict.

● DEVALUATION FEARS: The New Zealand Reserve Bank yesterday suspended all foreign exchange dealings indefinitely, heightening speculation the new government will devalue the New Zealand dollar (the Associated Press-Dow Jones reports).

The bank's governor, Mr Spencer Russell, said the bank took the action because of uncertainties in the foreign market. He said the suspension will "allow time for the position to be reassessed".

Provision had been made for banks and other foreign exchange dealers to meet urgent needs of travellers.

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Canberra applauds Labour triumph

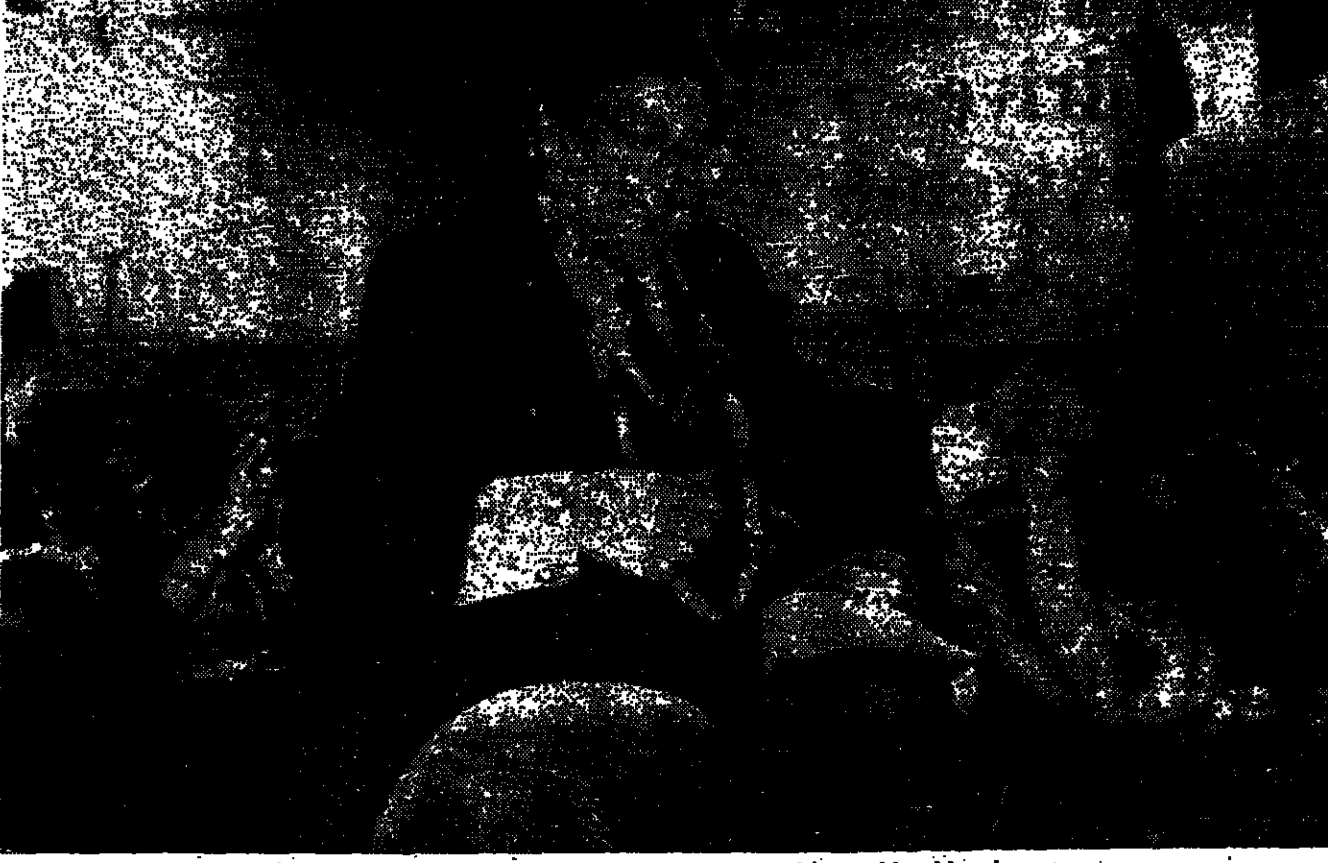
Mr Bob Hawke, the Australian Prime Minister, said yesterday he expected links between Australia and New Zealand to grow even stronger now that both had Labour parties in power (Reuter from Canberra).

The Australian Labour Party came to power in March last year. Mr Hawke telephoned his congratulations last night to Mr Lange.

THE STATE OF THE PARTIES

	1981	At dissolution	Now (provisional)
Labour	43	41	56
National	47	47	37
Social Credit	2	2	2
Independent	–	2	–

Percentage share of the vote on Saturday was: Labour 43; National 36; New Zealand Party 12; Social Credit 8; others 1.



Grasping victory: Mr Lange greets supporters at his Auckland headquarters.

Leader with a commanding presence

Mr David Lange, the new Prime Minister, has had a meteoric rise. He entered Parliament on the Opposition side only seven years ago. Within two years, he was promoted by his Labour caucus colleagues to the deputy leadership (W. P. Reeves writes from Wellington).

He was persuaded to run for the leadership two years later, failing to unseat the incumbent, Sir Wallace Rowling, by a single vote. Sir Wallace then stood aside in favour of his deputy last year.

Mr Lange is not as aggressively ambitious as this record might suggest. He was propelled by his colleagues who saw in him the leader Labour needed. They admired his sharp wit, dabating skills, quick grasp of issues and, above all, his refusal to be intimidated in the House by the bruising style of Sir Robert Muldoon.

The new leader also has a commanding presence. With the aid of surgery two years ago, he has been able to reduce his bulk from a massive 25 stone to a still impressive 17 stone. He has grown in stature since his elevation to the leadership of the Opposition and he strengthened his appeal and credibility on the campaign trail by hardly putting a foot wrong.

The criticism most often expressed is that he is light on the detail necessary to fill out his ringing rhetoric. He has been likened to a favourite New Zealand pudding, the Pavlov – spongy in the middle. He is an ebullient and social person with a reputation as a jester.

Mr Lange, aged 42, has nothing of the cloth cap Labour tradition about him. The son of a doctor, he was brought up in a family of strong religious conviction in a working class district of Auckland.

He qualified as a lawyer and met his future wife in London when she was attached to the Methodist Mission. He practised law in Auckland before entering Parliament at a by-election in 1977.

Mr Lange is no doctrinaire socialist. He identifies with the underdog and is a stout promoter of social justice. "I'm a product of an age when New Zealand's resources were put into ensuring that the young had security and educational opportunities", he said last week.

"I come from a background not doctrinaire in terms of the state and its institutions." He believes state enterprises have a role but should be efficient and he has no complaint about making a profit.

One of the tests of his administration will be his ability to contain the left wing of his party in much the same way Mr Bob Hawke, the Australian Prime Minister, from whom he draws much tactical inspiration, has done.

Mr Lange's handicap is that he lacks any long, toughening political apprenticeship. The new Prime Minister sees himself presiding over the Cabinet as a sort of chairman of the board. He hinted last week, however, that he may take over the foreign affairs portfolio.

Hawke steers a safe course

From Tony Duboudin
Melbourne

Being in government concentrated the mind of the Australian Labour Party wonderfully.

The party's biennial national conference, which ended in Canberra on Friday, was a masterful exercise. In pragmatism and has undoubtedly done much to pave the way for victory at the next election.

The conference managed to avoid adopting any policy which could be seen as electorally damaging, although it certainly emerged with a platform which did not hem it in too seriously on any issue.

For the left, the conference was a disaster and marked its demise as a force for the next few years. The conference did see, however, the rise of a significant new alliance in the party, the centre-left faction which, under the leadership of Mr Bill Hayden, the Foreign Minister, delivered a well-disciplined block of votes and dominate proceedings.

For Mr Bob Hawke, the Prime Minister, it was a satisfying conference in that he saw virtually all his policies carried, with the exception of a mere liberal stand on uranium mining and export.

On the issue of East Timor, which had been tipped as the question most likely to cause problems, the party dropped its previous insistence on the withdrawal of recognition of the incorpoaration of East Timor by Indonesia and called on the Australian Government to give active support to international initiatives, particularly those of the United Nations, which sought a Timor settlement.

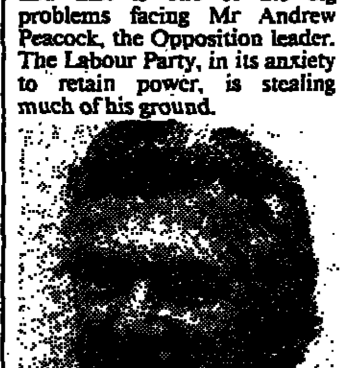
Other issues which had caused much concern and were favourites of the left, such as the Anzus treaty, the entry of nuclear-powered or armed vessels into Australian ports, and the security services, all ended with the centre-left prevailing.

A move to take Australia out of Anzus was soundly defeated after a debate during which Mr Hawke accused the left of violent anti-Americanism. The conference agreed to reform the security services but not abolish them.

It also decided to allow American bases in Australia to continue under existing conditions but to ban the regular use of any port by foreign naval ships if their frequency use was comparable to foreign vessels being "home ported" in Australia.

The question of nuclear-armed or powered vessels visiting Australia resulted in defeat for a move to ban their access. A similar effort to ban nuclear-armed aircraft from Australian soil or airspace was also defeated.

Many conference decisions would have sat quite happily with the Liberal-National Party and that is one of the big problems facing Mr Andrew Peacock, the Opposition leader. The Labour Party, in its anxiety to retain power, is stealing much of his ground.



Mr Hawke: Paving the way to success.

Israelis speed up settlement drive ahead of election

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem

Israel has embarked on an intensive new settlement drive in the occupied territories which opposition critics claim is directly linked to the campaign for next week's general election.

Mr Shimon Peres, the opposition Labour leader, has pledged publicly that existing Jewish settlements will not be uprooted if he becomes Prime Minister.

It is known that many Jewish nationalists are anxious to create what they describe as "tracks on the ground" in anticipation of a possible change of government and of settlement policy. The ruling right-wing Likud still trails behind Labour in the opinion polls.

Yesterday, the ministerial settlement committee chaired by the Cabinet's leading hawk, Mr Iuval Ne'meman, the Minister of Science, formally approved the construction of four new outposts in the occupied West Bank. They included one named Avnei Hefetz, to house 1,000 Jewish families less than three miles from the Arab town of Tulkarm.

There has been also a rush to inaugurate those sites which have already won Government sanction. The official effort is being supplemented by various ultra-nationalist groups establishing so-called "partisan" tent settlements in certain key areas.

It is understood the upsurge of settlement activity will continue until the end of the campaign, with three new settlements scheduled for inauguration less than 24 hours before the polling booths open.

According to Israel Radio, 500 million shekels (about £1.5m) has been invested by the Government in the past month alone on infrastructure for nine new settlements.

Labour's platform commits it to cutting back heavily on government finance for the settlement programme and preventing further construction of Jewish outposts in areas densely populated by Arabs.

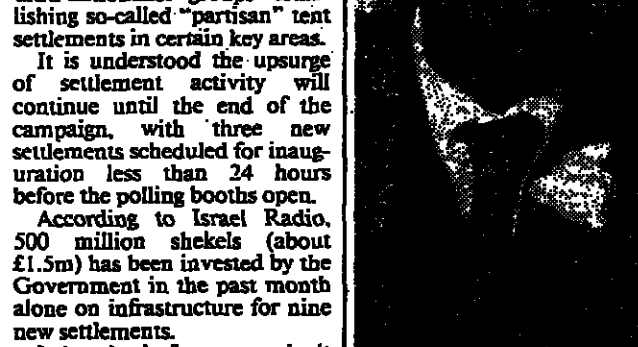
Yesterday, official statistics showed that Israel's inflation rose by 13.3 per cent during June, the highest figure for that month in the country's history – The sharp rise was bad news for the Likud – which has already seen inflation soar to above 400 per cent a year – but it had been widely predicted.

Inflation blow to Likud

Tel Aviv (Reuter) – Israel announced grim new inflation figures yesterday dealing a further blow to the right-wing Government's economic policy only eight days before the general election.

The Central Bureau of Statistics said inflation last month was 13.3 per cent, a record for June and four times last June's figure, the annual rate is about 400 per cent.

The announcement came as trade unions launched fresh strikes in their campaign for higher inflation compensation. Labour unrest spread to some bank branches and printers began a 24-hour stoppage





Mr Njonjo: Cousin of accused businessman.

Prosecutor denies trial was bungled to protect Njonjo

From Charles Harrison, Nairobi

A judicial inquiry, which has been sitting here for more than six month, has heard allegations that the prosecution of a Kenyan businessman for treason in 1981 was bungled to protect the Minister for Constitutional Affairs at the time, Mr Charles Njonjo, a cousin of the accused businessman.

This suggestion, made by the counsel leading evidence before the commission of three judges, was vigorously denied by Mr Sharad Rao, who prosecuted the treason case. Mr Rao agreed that Mr Njonjo resented what he saw as an attempt to connect him with an allegation of treason, and insisted on being called as a witness to clear his name. But he denied withholding any evidence that could have strengthened the prosecution case. The case had failed because it was weak.

Since early January, Mr Njonjo and his counsel, Mr W S Deverell, have attended sittings of the inquiry, set up last year to investigate allegations of unconstitutional conduct by Mr Njonjo after he had been dropped from the Cabinet. The Njonjo affair erupted when President Moi said an unnamed foreign power was grooming another Kenyan – assumed to be Mr Njonjo – to be the next president of Kenya.

Mr Njonjo has denied all suggestions of impropriety or abuse of office, but has yet to give evidence before the inquiry. Millions of words have already been heard in an effort to show that Mr Njonjo abused his considerable powers as a minister. It has even been alleged that he was involved in a plot to stage a coup in the Seychelles in 1981, when a group of South African mercenaries briefly captured the Seychelles airport.

It was shown that someone in the Kenya Government had prior knowledge of the coup attempt, although this was officially denied at the time.

Mr Deverell has frequently complained that the three judges, headed by Mr Justice Cecil Miller, a Guyanan, do not allow him to challenge adequately some of the evidence presented. In turn, the judges have accused him of rudeness. The verbal battles fascinate the crowded public benches.

The commission's proceedings are reported at length in the newspapers here, but Mr Deverell has also complained that some of the reports constitute contempt, being deliberately designed to arouse feeling against Mr Njonjo. There is no indication of how many more witnesses are to be called

US in two minds on Turkish rights

From Rasit Gurdilek, Ankara

Mr Elliott Abrams, the Assistant US Secretary of State, on a visit to Turkey, has treated his hosts to a bittersweet assessment of their performance on human rights.

His visit coincided with renewed interest in the Weib about human rights in Turkey as a result of recent hunger strikes by political prisoners which claimed four dead in Istanbul last month, as well as the prosecution of intellectuals. In a petition to the President these intellectuals have sought human rights and democratic liberties at a time when Ankara is trying to mend its fences with Western Europe.

After his talks with Mr Vahit Halefoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, and other high officials, Mr Abrams addressed a conference in which he attacked "unfair critisms" levelled against the Turkish authorities from abroad for varying notices or for lack of insight into the conditions which prevailed before the Army coup in 1980. But at the same time he called for a better performance, particularly in respect of academic and intellectual freedoms.

Mr Abrams said Turkish intellectuals were not entirely blameless for the pro-coup crisis and that the universities had become battlegrounds at the time. "Having said that, let me add that it appears to those who observe Turkey from abroad that prosecution of citizens, for petitioning their Government is not consistent with other democratic developments that have taken place in the peaceful, stable Turkey you have restored".

He praised the former militarty rulers of Turkey for intervening in time to save the country from disaster and then restoring democracy as they had promised. But he also observed that "conditions in Turkish prisons have in the past been characterized too often by inadequate standards of behaviour". He was, however, encouraged to see that the Government was addressing the problem

Ecevit allies to set up new left-wing party

Ankara (Reuter) – A group of Turkish left-wingers yesterday announced plans to form the first new political party since military rule ended last December.

They said the group, to be called the Democratic Left Party, had 18,000 prospective founder members, most of them industrial workers or peasants.

The party would try to avoid what they called the mistakes of the two left-to-centre parties, the Social Democrats and the Populist Party.

Political sources said the organizers were close to Mr Bulent Ecevit, the former Socialist Prime Minister.

Salvador rebels blow train up

San Salvador (AP) – Left-wing guerrillas blew an empty goods train off the tracks and killed at least 20 government security men in an ensuing battle, authorities said here.

The guerrillas set powerful charges on the line at San Antonio Grande, 25 miles north of the capital and detonated them as the 10-car train passed, a spokesman for the national railways said. The train was on its way to Metapan to pick up cement.

Ulster woman seeks asylum

Newark, New Jersey (Reuter) – A Northern Ireland woman, seeking political asylum in the United States, told a federal immigration judge that her life would be in danger if she returned home.

Anne Marie Devenny, a 33-year-old switchboard operator who has lived in America since 1980, said she might be a target for political extremists because she had witnessed the beating to death of her father Samuel Devenny by a group of eight policemen in 1969.

Blazing oil slick on the Volga

Moscow (Reuter) – Fire-fighting launches battled through the night to control a blazing oil slick on the Volga river after oil leaked from a damaged pipeline, the newspaper *Trud* revealed.

The slick, 3.5 miles long and 500 yards across, occurred near the city of Kazan, 350 miles south-east of Moscow and threatened the ecology of the Volga basin. But it was successfully dispersed.

Death in Venice

Venice (Reuter), (AP) – A man was still missing yesterday after a tourist launch collided with a barge under tow in the Venice lagoon on Saturday night, killing a mother and her daughter.

Cambridge Tripos results: Modern and medieval languages, philosophy

The following Tripos examination results from Cambridge University are announced.
* denotes Distinction

MODERN AND MEDIEVAL LANGUAGES TRIPOS, Part 1.

D indicates that in the Oral Examination in the language to which the class-list refers the candidate has already been placed in the Distinction class, p that he has already been placed in the Pass class. (L) denotes candidates who have satisfied the examiners in Latin Composition.

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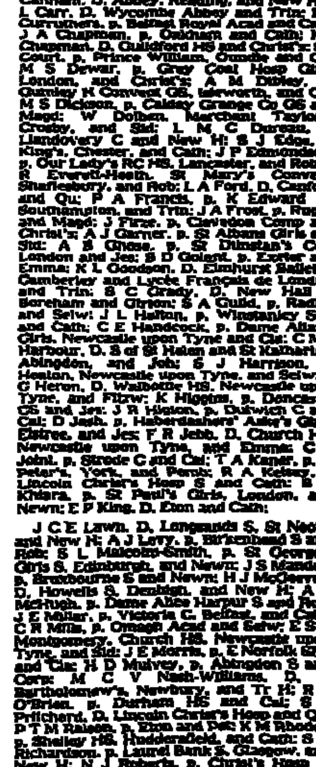
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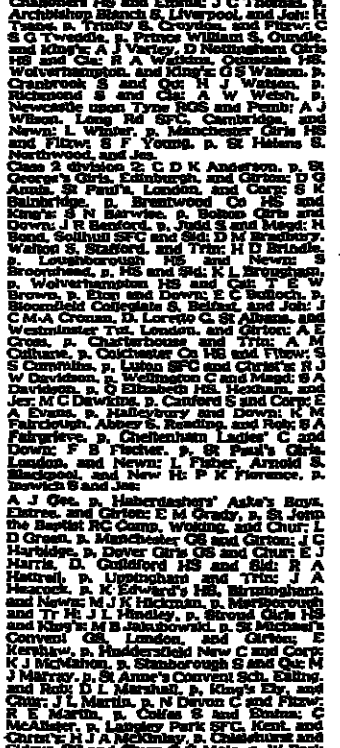
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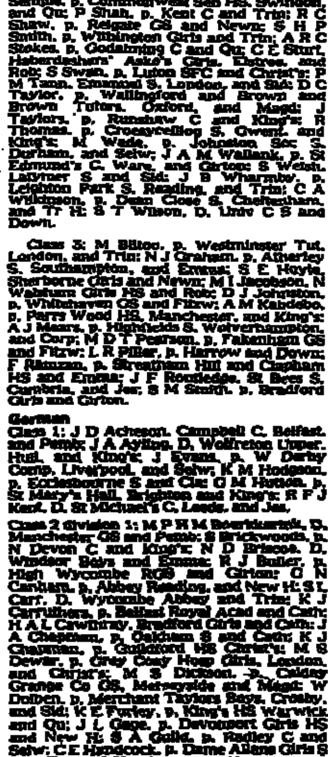
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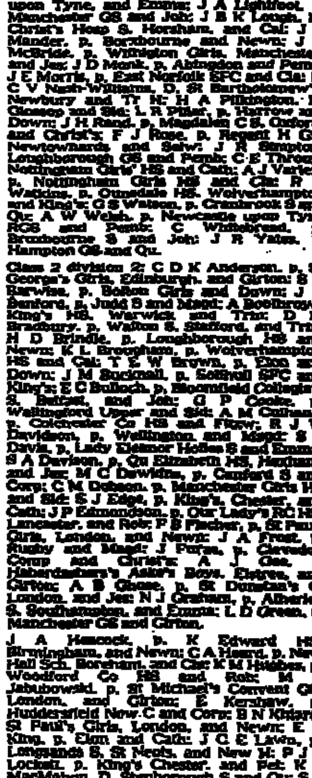
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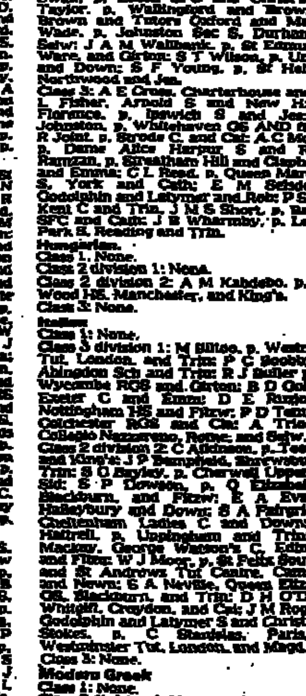
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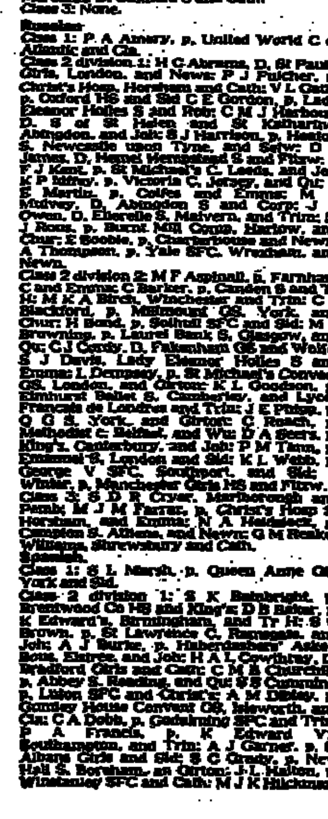


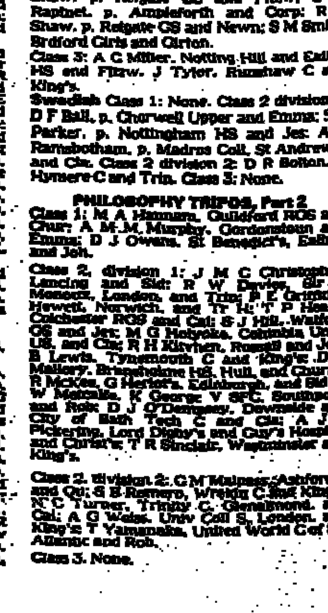


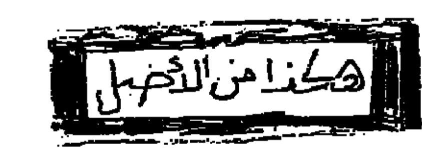


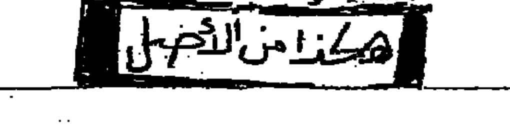












THE ARTS

Opera

More a curiosity than a rarity

Tannhäuser
Paris Opera

Massimo Bogianckino's first, and highly successful, season at the Opéra has ended, as it began, with a work performed in the version demanded by Parisian taste in the middle of the last century. In September it was Rossini's *Moise*, fashioned to the prevailing French style; this month it is Wagner's *Tannhäuser* in the 1861 Paris edition. In between came Verdi's *Jérusalem*, the reworking of *I Lombardi*. Bogianckino has been both scrupulous and scholarly in reminding his new public of what their ancestors used to like – or at least used to demand.

Not that the Paris *Tannhäuser* is all that rare or indeed all that different from the opera Dresden first heard in 1845. When it was in the Covent Garden repertoire a decade ago the Paris version was used, although the new production promised for the season immediately ahead will be of the Dresden *Tannhäuser*. It is, of course, well known that this was the only major work Wagner continued to tinker with during his life. The alterations he made for Paris included the addition of the then obligatory ballet, which he cut into the end of the overture; the removal of Walther's Act II song; and a stronger emphasis on Venus at the close. His reward, as is equally well known, was the barracking by the Jockey Club, a rash of *Tannhäuser* parodies and jokes, and a mere three performances.

Although Bogianckino may not be offerring his public a rarity, he is certainly giving them a curisoity. This *Tannhäuser* marks the first incursion by the Hungarian film director, Istvan Szabo, into opera and the same applies to his compatriot, the veteran painter Victor Vasarely, the chosen designer. The production team is completed by Judith Gombar (b. Budapest) for the costumes and Ivan Marko (b. Balassag[illegible]) choreographer. If [illegible] about to start in B[illegible] last year dubbed "[illegible] *Ring*" then this ha[illegible] "Hungarian *Tannhä*[illegible]"

For the openin[illegible] Venusberg the Hun[illegible] tribution looked [illegible] impressive. Szabo [illegible] old and overuse[illegible] having a couple o[illegible] curtains on stage [illegible] Paris audience sa[illegible] image of themslv[illegible] ceived the impressi[illegible] ably, that the O[illegible] palace of sensual pleasures and delights far removed from the realities of the world. (Since the first four performances of this *Tannhaüser* were cancelled because of an orchestral dispute the symbol was not exactly appropriate.)

Once off the mountain top and down into the valley below the Wartburg Vasarely and Szabo began to make their influence felt. The stage is bare except for a series of rectangle frames which enclose it, decreasing in size until they end in a single square of light far in the distance. They tip to the left for the opening act, move to the upright for the central song contest when the set looks a little like the concertina of an old fashioned camera, and then [illegible] symbolizes the autumnal [illegible] of Tannhäuser on his [illegible] from Rome. The concept [illegible] outside space and time. The expanses of the Opéra are exploited to the full so that the chorus of pilgrims is heard far, far away and the voice of Venus comes from somewhere up near the theatre's rafters (Eva Randova in opulent voice and, earlier, in opulent figure). The spareness of the setting throws demands on the production which Istvan Szabo does not always manage to answer. There is a lack of excitement on stage, not an easy thing to generate in parts of *Tannhäuser* to be sure, and he has not succeeded in turning all his singers into actors. The strength of the mind behind films like *Mephisto* is at last seen in the final act, first in the returning band of pilgrims who, with their battered hats [illegible] from Richard Wagner. [illegible] Vocally, interest centered on [illegible]

Vasarely's tunnel vision of the valley below the Wartburg, with Klaus Koenig (centre stage).

berg's debacle at Bayreuth last year. Koenig certainly has the stamina to get through the title role, which he will be taking at Covent Garden in the autumn, and the *Römerzählung*, which must look like an unassailable pinnacle at most times let alone on a sweaty July night, gave no trouble. The voice is solidly based, sturdy in the style of Hans Hopf a quarter of a century ago, but the acting negligible. Anna Tomowa – Sintow makes a wonderfully assured Elisabeth, with flashes of radiance. Lajos Miller, another Hungarian to add to the production band, could do with a touch more lustre in his Act [illegible] the *Abendstern*, [illegible] was an [illegible] Wolfram.

Christoph von Dohnanyi, the [illegible] [illegible] ditions.

John Higgins

[illegible]

Shows promise

Le Nozze di Figaro
Glyndebourne

If I ever live to see a better operatic production, one more penetrating, more unserstanding, than Peter Hall's 1973 account of *Figaro* for Glyndebourne, I shall be lucky. I thought at the time that its splendours were dependent on its amazing cast, but the succeeding years have shown how well Hall's subtle approach to the work can succeed with a variety of casts and revival directors. As Paul Griffiths reported here, the first cast of this 50th anniversary season was an exceptionally fine one; the second cast,which was presented on Friday, is as yet more promising than accomplished.

The one marvellous find is Carolyn Watkinson's Cherubino: inspired casting, for Watkinson' lanky gait and angular disposition makes her perfectly suited to depict the page possessed by the thought of womankind.

Faith Esham's effervescent, gloriously sung Susanna is also a success, a touch too hard, perhaps; she certainly dominates her chubby, likeable Figaro (Alberto Rinaldi), who is rarely able to bring a really hard edge to his voice [illegible] singing is perfectly [illegible]. Fortunately he has [illegible] overwhelming ad[illegible] William Shimell's C[illegible] nervous frustratio[illegible] reversals is far too [illegible]. Vocally this is a per[illegible] immense promise, [illegible] not yet carry th[illegible] smouldering, nervy [illegible].

Which leaves Ga[illegible]na's Countess (the [illegible] the new cast who will sing in Haitink's Prom performance): a distinguished British debut, beautifully supple, slightly small of voice; very good [illegible] Act Two scenes – [illegible] Roger Williams, the [illegible] pushes beyond Hall [illegible] with Cherubino's [illegible] bared shoulder – b[illegible] rather ill-at-ease on [illegible].

In the end the u[illegible] the performance ma[illegible] to do with the promising cast than with the musical direction of Gustav Kuhn. He seemed to have no grip on the proceedings: the orchestra was ragged, and slipped away from the stage at several points, but more important tempi were often misjudged and uncomfortable – the scampered, untense Wedding March ruined one of the production's greatest moments.

Nicholas Kenyon

Concerts

Throwing caution to the wind

Smetana Quartet
Wigmore Hall

You feel as if you have stepped back into a different age. The [illegible] Dvořák [illegible] melody [illegible] composer's "American" Quartet with incredible vigour and resilience the fact that the combined ages of the quartet members [illegible] The music [illegible] embedded in them that they play the whole thing from memory [illegible] come to expect from our young whizz-kid quartets, where every chord is sharply etched and perfectly balanced. But then the musical understanding is so far beyond what we have sadly come to expect from the same quarters that it matters not a jot.

Dvořák is not difficult to understand, and I was readily satisfied. But Beethoven's Op 130 is another matter, and I was hoping for a revelation. It did not quite come – which may have been my fautlt, for there are some parts of this piece I still find find horrifically difficult to come to terms with.

Much of the playing was firm and convincing, though first violin tended to fade away as he reached for the climaxes above the stave, and the occasional [illegible] moments did not quite convince. But he was wonderfully allusive in the tumbling bits of recitative that interrupt the Presto. Indeed that whole movement hardly [illegible] [illegible] innocence of the *Alla danza tedesca* (the leader again a little thin) came the depth of experience of the [illegible] Quartet [illegible] remained on the surface of the music, technically [illegible] but emotionally mute.

It was left to the *Grosse Fuge*, Beethoven's original finale for Op 130 restored to its rightful place, to repersuade us that these players could master the impossible: from the first rasping entries they threw caution to the winds and drove it wildly, with thrusting gestures. It was not exactly moving, but it was breathtaking.

N.K.

Music for Youth
Festival Hall

Just before Gordon Jacob died a month ago, he composed a *Mini-Concerto for Orchestra* as a special commission by the National Festival of Music for Youth. On Saturday [illegible] it was given its first [illegible] by the Hertfordshire [illegible] Youth Orchestra, con[illegible] John Westcombe, [illegible] [illegible] the enterprise of the festival itself, one of Europe's most stimulating and important non-competitive platforms for young amateur musicians. Now in its fourteenth year, it draws nearly 6,000 players to the South Bank.

The Surrey County Youth Orchestra, festival veterans, returned as [illegible] called as eve[illegible] Walton *Jo*[illegible] *Overture* conducted [illegible] Mongor. Then [illegible] City of [illegible] tra, masterly accompanists to Jessica Butters's felicitous Grieg Piano Concerto. As much music-making of necessity [illegible] school, groups [illegible] Chamber Orchestra [illegible] from [illegible] Elgar's *Serenade for Strings* standing up à la [illegible] climbing the competition ladder. The first movement of his Haydn Cello Concerto showed an ardour and individuality of reponse too precious to be blunted by the wrong pressures.

Hilary Finch

Publishing

As publishers issue their "major" books twice a year, in the spring and in the autumn, so are the literary prizes doled out [illegible] autumn. By way [illegible] not winning the Booker last year, Graham Swift's *Waterland* has been awarded the Winifred [illegible] Prize (£750) [illegible] novel of the year, well, novels have to be set somewhere.

Children's author Dr Seuss, 80 this year, has won a Pulitzer prize special citation for his "special contribution over nearly half a century to the education and enjoyment of America's children and their parents". [illegible] Club [illegible] plus £100). Her second novel, *The Lotus House*, comes out in October. Mrs Moore's award winning book was published on her 85th birthday.

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Jerry Bauer, Fay Godwin and Tara Heinemann all regularly provide the photographs of authors that appear on book jackets. The doyen though of this activity is Mark Gerson, who has portrayed most of the best known British authors (and American) since the war. An exhibition of many of them (ranging from Somerset Maugham, Evelyn Waugh, Raymond Chandler and John Osborne to Ian McEwan) has just opened at the National Theatre where it will continue until August 18.

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Bedtime reading for authors, whether or not they have agents, could be the second edition of Charles Clark's *Publishing Agreements* (Allen & Unwin, £15.00). In view of the row that is taking place in the trade about the likely effect on book sales, hardback and paperback, of a Sunday newspaper having in four issues published Jeffrey Archer's *First among Equals* in toto, I searched in vain for Mr Clark's ruling on the ethics, or even how the money should be divided between author and publisher. Although the chairman of the Publishers' Association Law Panel and of the International Publishers' Association's Copyright Committee discusses one-shot periodical rights and first and second serial rights, there is no mention of the complete text of a book being serialized.

[illegible] With [illegible] wonder[illegible] been pa[illegible] condemn[illegible] for signing [illegible] organization[illegible] agreement that goes way beyond anything Mr Clark advocates.

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Another author writes to say that he's become his own publisher, though not this time of his own [illegible] Christopher Driver (once [illegible] *Good Food Guide* and [illegible] particularly [illegible] The [illegible] which [illegible] scholarly [illegible] What he has published, most handsomely on a heavy parchment paper and [illegible] bound, is a new edition of *Shaftesbury: the "Shaston" of Thomas Hardy* with 14 fine wood engravings by John R. Biggs and James E. Masters. First published in Shaftesbury in 1932, it is reissued with a memoir of James Masters and of the original publishers, the High House Press, by Mr Biggs who was able, more than 50 years after first publication, to attend the party to celebrate the new edition.

Mr Driver and his partner, Walter Partridge, have printed 2,000 copies. The total cost – including origination (plates and new typesetting), paper, binding and blocking, dust jackets, fee to Mr Biggs (a mere £40) and publicity – was £2,540. At a retail price of £4.50, it is a book which every intelligent visitor to Shatesbury ought to purchase.

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Thames & Hudson (you do realize that there was no Mr Thames, nor Mr Hudson; that the imprint is named after the two rivers?) are publishing for next year *The English Country Calendar* at £3.43 and *Fashion Drawing in Vogue Calendar* at £5.17. Curious prices? Do not be too alarmed. In the UK you will have to pay, respectively, £3.95 and £5.95, inclusive of VAT. What I want to know is which price was arrived at first, that with VAT or that without? If the answer is as obvious as it would seem logical to expect, why, and on what principle, are the prices of books, on which VAT is not chargeable, rounded up or down?

E. J. Craddock

Television

Weegee The Famous (Central) concerned the man who in his own words "photographed the soul of the city I loved", even though that soul was striated with blood and shadow: Weegee specialized in disasters or violent crimes and cruised through the night in order to find them. With his flash-camera he turned both victims and victimizers into flattened images, the relics of the voyeur, their faces distorted by rage or grief, apparently surrounded by a great loneliness as if they had been found in a desert.

Weegee liked to give the impression of one who entered the raw life of his fellow New Yorkers – "laughing and crying with them", as he put it – but in fact he rendered them grotesque.

This documentary was itself shot in black-and-white, thus managing to evoke the brilliant bleakness of Weegee and his world; it was a well-made programme, with a tone which was at the same time both parodic and nostalgic: given the nature of the material, that might seem odd but New York seems always to have been the proper home for that rancid poetry of which Weegee was one of the principal exponents. All his life he remained an "anomaly", a plump and uneasy man who seems only to have been at peace when photographing human beings in extremity – a curious phenomenon, but one excellently described here.

They Came From Somewhere Else (Channel 4) is in the English tradition of cheap but cheerful comedy – although, since many dark years have passed since the *Carry On . . .* series, the humour has become a little more knowing; as a result, television comedy such as this has moved from schoolboy to college student standard. This new series, which has something to do with an alien invasion, is not particularly funny – most of the cast confined themselves to saying "actually" in a marked manner, and seemed to be imitating the performances of Rik Mayall, Tracy Ullman, John Cleese *et al*.

Last night's **Omnibus** (BBC1) concerned, in part, the world of "muzac": *Chariots of Fire* lives on, if not in our hearts, at least in "superloos", and cows seem to need piped music at least as much as Americans. Some curious items emerged from this thorough investigation of background sound; it seems that someone has been playing muzac at Waterloo Station since 1940. The fact that no traveller has ever heard it must rank as an outstanding success: the whole point of "muzac", apparently, is that it should not be listened to at all.

Peter Ackroyd

Rock

Gospel Concert
Albert Hall

When Al Green last visited these shores in 1979 he resurrected his favourite white suit and dispensed red roses to his many female admirers with the same largesse he evoked in a mesmerizing display of pure soul.

Green's high register vocals and sensual repertoire of the hits he styled with Memphis stalwart Willie Mitchell were evidence of an entertainer with one eye on the boudoir and the other on his sanity. That was to be the last time a British crowd would see and hear Al Green, soul superstar.

This time around the billing introduced us to the other man, the Reverend Al Green, pastor of his own Full Gospel Tabernacle. Instead of the hits he concentrates now on the Southern roots music of his youth, the abandonned fervour of the Pentecost, speaking in tongues, looking for a witness.

Green still uses a fair amount of showbiz razzmatazz; the roses remain but the suits are more sombre and the material is less raunchy. Cynics might claim that Mammon still plays its part, as in America the Born Again movement has its own television stations and radio channels, but for the most part Green's new message is still acceptable once one listens to the voice and prepares to suspend one's secular disbelief.

Assisted by the impressive London Community Gospel Choir and a quite muted rhythm and brass section, the Reverend Green offered up sterling interpretations of the Impressions' "People Get Ready" as well as more staple fare like "His Name Is Jesus" and "Precious Lord (Take My Hand)".

On reflection I think I preferred his earlier incarnation, but there were moments when Green's depth of soul translated his material. The Lord moves in mysterious ways.

Max Bell

Dance

Best feet forward

Sleeping Beauty
Covent Garden



Dee Conway

Errol Pickford taking off as Bluebird

Miyako Yoshida and Errol Pickford in the Bluebird pas de deux were the stars of Friday night's *Sleeping Beauty* at Covent Garden. She is small, but compact rather than frail, with a cool composure and a face that smiles easily. Her command of all the demands that role makes on a strong classical technique, particularly her excellent balance and clean finish, enabled her to concentrate on projecting the pure glowing style of the Petipa choreography.

Pickford dances with a springy lightness which he sustains all through the solos, which by their arduous length have punctured many a good start. His beats are beautifully done, the feet very neatly pointed; his body moves flexibly.

He partnered Yoshida adroitly, and they went well together, making this the best couple we have seen in that duet at Covent Garden for quite a while. That is the more remarkable since they are both still students, this being the Royal Ballet School's annual performance at the Opera House.

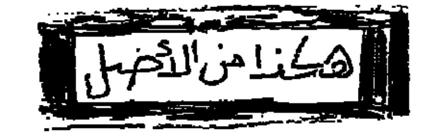
It is 25 years since the series began and to celebrate the jubilee the school's new director, Merle Park, chose *The Sleeping Beauty* for its large cast, getting 140 students on stage. She then spoiled that good idea by giving away the two leading roles to experienced professionals (whom this paper will review when they repeat the parts shortly with the company) and letting four other roles go to old Royal Ballet hands.

True, the first school performance was led by Antoinette Sibley and Graham Usher, then recent graduates, but much younger and newer than this year's choice. There was some excuse 25 years ago, but none today, for wondering whether students could sustain big roles. If there was really no student this year ready for three acts as Aurora, the proper precedent was that of sharing the part among two or three dancers.

A black mark for that, and another for Barry Wordsworth and his band, who played appallingly. But for the young dancers, nothing but praise. Of course they were not all equally good, but nobody let the side down and there was much promise on show. Viviana Durante, who joins the Royal Ballet at Covent Garden next season, presented neat, confident, well-turned solos in the first and last acts.

Among those joining the Sadler's Wells company are Miyako Yoshida, Laura Hussey, whose strong manner in two solos commanded attention, and Lucinda Garner, whose sweetly gracious bearing made up for lack of the height one has come to associate with the Lilac Fairy. Also notable were Anne Breckell as the Song Bird Fairy and Alison Simpson's lively acting as Red Riding Hood.

John Percival



David Thomas watches a rehearsal for 42nd Street, an old-fashioned musical with songs and tap-dancing from the Thirties

Come and meet those dancing feet

Photographs by Nobby Clark



THE sound of 20 chorus-girls tap-dancing is like the thunder of an oncoming train or the rattle of market trolleys over cobbles. The sight of those same girls, clad in multicoloured leotards, tights and tracksuits in row upon row of elasticated bottoms can disarm even the most hardened male reporter.

Such, at least, was my experience when sent to observe the rehearsals for the musical *42nd Street*, which has its first preview at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane on July 26.

As I arrived an equally goggle-eyed TV crew was making the chorus run through the same number again and again, but no amount of repetition seemed to dull the indecent energy and cheerfulness of the young supporting cast. The star of the show, Georgia Brown, was seated in the stalls watching it all. She seemed impressed by the display on stage: "Look at this – isn't it great? There's such a sweetness about them. They're so thrilled to be in a musical."

Would we see her joining in with some of her own? "I don't have to tap, thank God, but I do a little bit ot dancing. It's my horror moment." She is playing the part of Dorothy Brock, a tyrannical but aging star. "When they asked me to do the role," she said, "I was nervous because I thought it was a dancing part and I'm no dancer. They said, 'Don't be silly, there isn't any dancing in it.' Well, I don't know about that. I call anything which makes me lift one leg above the other dancing."

The feverish crashing continued on stage, accompanied all the while, as is the way with these showbiz types, by bright smiles and sparkling eyes. "Wouldn't it be wonderful to be able to do that," said Miss Brown to her co-star Margaret Courtenay. "We'd all get hernias, dear," came the sage reply.

There was a brief pause in the action. The cast gathered around the director Lucia Victor for a pep-talk like basketball players in a time out. The difference being that basketball players don't keep grinning when the coach bawls at them. All the happiness was becoming alarming.

"You're forming a solid mass on stage," cautioned the boss. "Spread out a little. Let's see some nice little pieces of action. Use your hands. Use your faces."

They set to work again, to the tune of the show's title song. *42nd Street* is a classic example of Broadway creating its own myth. You may recall the film with Dick Powell as the young hero, Billy Lawler, and Ruby Keeler as Peggy Sawyer, the innocent chorine who becomes a star when the leading lady pulls out of a new musical on the opening night.

Its executive producer is Helen Montagu. "Break a leg," they say in the theatre as a token of good luck and she has done exactly that, which seems to be taking devotion to the cause to unnecessary lengths.

The search for young male and female tap-dancers – "the whole show is tap-dancing" – took the producers all over the country. There was no shortage of volunteers, which leads her to suppose that the noble art of tap is coming back into fashion.

Not only is the London cast, in the opinion of Miss Victor, who also directs the show in New York, as good as its Broadway conterpart, but they also dance authentic 1933 tap syles. "In the Thirties tap was very powerful and active. By the Forties it was much more laid-back and easy."

She lists some of the show's most famous numbers – "Lullaby of Broadway," "Dames", "Your Getting to be a Habit With Me", "We're In the Money", "Shuffle off to Buffalo", and so on – while Michael Howe, who is London's substitute for Dick Powell endeavours to explain the first principles of tap-dancing. "Basically the thing is to keep on the balls of your feet with your legs bent and to speak with your feet. The audience should be glued to a tap-dancer. The moment he or she starts there should be total hush around the house." Even if there wasn't, I point out helpfully, no one would know, what with all the noise on stage.

But what I really want to know is this; why does everyone have to be so indecently joyful all the time? "We're playing it flat out for the innocence that's so lacking today and it's working gloriously," comes the adamant reply.

The songs are wonderful, as are the one-liners: "The only time she said 'No' she didn't hear the question." Brave attempts are made at transatlantic accents even if most of the cast do sound closer to Balham than the Bronx, but no matter.

"You are on your way to glory at 32 bucks a week," someone tells the (fictional) chorus line. In fact the real kids are on the way to glory at around a £150 a week, but by now – watching rehearsals of scenes about rehearsals – I am beginning to lose track of where reality ends and fantasy begins.

From the fifth row of the stalls the proceedings are being watched by the man who really knows exactly what is what – the show's producer David Merrick. He staged *42nd Street* on Broadway in 1980, where it opened on a tragic note with the death of its original director and choreographer Gower Champion at one in the afternoon of its opening night.

Since then it has run on in happier vein and is still packing them in in New York and around the world. This has done nothing but good for the finances of Mr Merrick who had the bright idea of buying out all the show's investors just before it first opened, with the result that it now brings him the astonishing sum of £375,000 per week.

Sadly, and one begins to wonder whether there isn't some sort of hex upon the production, he has suffered a stroke, which has left him with somewhat slurred speech and a stooping gait. He sits in the auditorium in a simple brown suit with glasses and a rather droopy moustache until slowly making his way out to a waiting limousme, in melancholy contrast to the exuberant vitality of his cast.

THE TIMESTEP (THE BASIC TAP STEP)

One and two and three and four
Stomp right, brush right, hop left, flap right, flap left, step

and five and six and seven and eight
right; stomp left, brush left, hop right, flap left, flap right,

and One and
step left, stomp right and so on.

In other words; bring the right foot out hard with arms in front of you. Brush foot back and swing back arms as you hop onto the left foot. Then flick both feet out in front of you while swinging the arms, step onto the right foot and then launch out into the stomp on the left, repeating the whole procedure in reverse. Simple, no?

The myth behind a mega-star

moreover . . . Miles Kington

Just who is Michael Jackson anyway? Just about the greatest genius in the history of the world, that's who. It seems hard to believe, but already he's sold more albums than Leonardo da Vinci made in the whole of his life and he's sold more T-shirts than all the universities in the world put together. He's so big he makes Barry Manilow look like Barry Manilow. On his current American tour, huge crowds are forming in cities where he's not even playing. And more than a million illegal immigrants have crossed the Mexican border already this year, just to see a Michael Jackson concert.

He *is*, to use an American musical phrase, earning a *lot of* money. But why?

Well, the answer is that he can sing and dance a bit. But there must be more to it than that. Or must there? Maybe there isn't. Maybe people just like his *name* Michael Jackson. Well, it's OK as names go, but it's not the sort of name that you or I would go wind-surfing across America for.

Barbara Teichman did. She's a teenager from Goretex, Ohio. She said she had a hell of a lot of trouble wind-surfing across the wheat prairies of the Mid-West; but she'd do anything for Michael Jackson. Now she's serving a year for illegal flying across crops.

So what is the secret of this shy, reclusive Jehovah's Witness who doesn't smoke, drink or look at himself in the mirror? What is behind this showbiz hermit who has no friends but lots of costumes, this likeable young man who was recently burnt to death while filming *Thriller* and who has put the word "androgynous" back in the dictionary?

He is black but looks white, male but has soft features. American but travels on a Martian passport. Rumour is he may come from somewhere else. Is he, as some say, an Indian mystic who had already discovered the secret of life and wanted to move on into the disco field? Or is he a natural cricketer and adept player of fast bowling who had the

misfortune to be born into a baseball country?

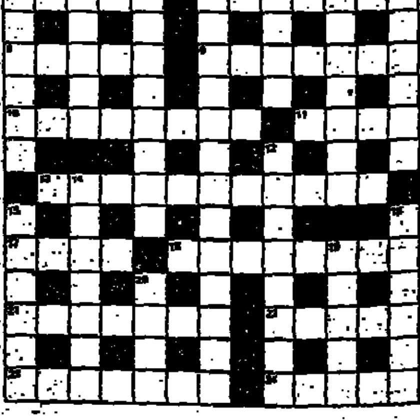
The truth, as always, is simpler than that. He was born Ramon Miguel de Descanso, a gypsy child who was abducted at birth by the 1960s civil rights marchers and given to a black family who only had 14 children. Renamed Michael Jackson, he grew up in a small recording studio in a typical black American ghetto, though his childhood was cushioned against poverty as his new father, Arthur Jackson III, owned the ghetto and was a millionaire many times over.

Early in life he went into the family businesss, a singing group called the Jackson Seventeen which was whittled down gradually through floods, pestilence, bank foreclosure and traffic fines to the Jackson Five. The other members of the Jackson Five (Jesse, Andrew, "Stonewall" and Pollock) then went off to pursue solo careers, leaving Michael to become the greatest man in the history of the world, unless you're a Stevie Wonder fan.

So a legend was born. Every record he has ever made has gone straight to number one – even a record he only borrowed from a friend in 1982 went to number seven. At the age of 13, before his voice had broken, he was a star. At 17 his voice now broken, he was still a star, though not such a big one. So he took the deliberate decision to unbreak his voice and now, at 26 he is the biggest soprano in the business.

Yes, Michael Jackson is so rich that he could afford to have his own nuclear deterrant. He could retire five years ago and never have to work again. Yes, for a kid who can dance and sing a bit, he hasn't done *badly*. But he is still ambitious and it now seems certain that he will be *Ronald* Reagan's running mate in the autumn. Next year he could be Vice-President of the US and after that – who knows? A singing, dancing black man has never been President yet, but then they said a Hollywood bit actor would never make it either. Michael Jackson in the White House. Should be quite a video.

CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 394)



ACROSS
1 Umbrella flower (5)
4 Extinct European cattle (7)
8 Little banger (5)
9 Furtive encourager (7)
10 Paternal (8)
11 Sketch (4)
13 Over-sympathetic (4,7)
17 Kind (4)
18 Shrill sound-maker (8)
21 Introduction (7)
22 Tricky (5)
23 Own (7)
24 Radiolocation (5)

DOWN
1 Dangerous (6)
2 Unsubtle (5)
3 Opera text (8)
4 Weak spots (8,5)
5 Hazard (4)
6 Food value measure (7)
7 Spread out untidily (6)
12 Cause fighter (8)
14 Eurydice's husband (7)
15 Accelerate (4,2)
16 Personal petition (6)
19 Clear (5)
20 Tarzan's mate (4)

Recommended dictionary is the New Collins Concise

MONDAY PAGE

Why must I be out of step?





Is step-parenting going to be *the* ultimate relationship of the mid-1980s?

It certainly looks like it, what with Benjamin Spock going into analysis to cope with an 11-year-old stepdaughter, and romantically-inclined citizens seeking a change in the law, so that mother-in-law, or even stepmother, can become wife.

Even were they legally free to do so, I cannot see my own stepsons ever regarding me as the Romantic Older Woman.

When I think of the way I used to overreact when they filled the freezer with batter-fried onion rings, it is possible that I did not just put them off *me* for life but turned them against the world female population.

When I married their father, I suspect that Cinderella, Snow White and Hansel and Gretel took on a whole new meaning. Not that I refused to let them go to the ball or flung them out into the snow – I just treated them the way I treat everybody else, including my own children.

That is, with a complete lack of tact and sensitivity!

I suppose the problem was that I was a premature stepmother, skipping uncaringly across the minefield of taking on someone else's family before the experts had moved in with their detectors.

Now that Dr Spock has discovered the stepfather problem, I expect a rash of books on the subject with titles such as *Stepping Can Be Fun* and *How To Stop Hating Your Stepchild.*

Goodness knows, there's a demand for them. If one out of every three marriages ends in divorce and half of all those divorced spouses marry somebody else, it adds up to a lot of step-parents.

It also adds up to a need for a new etiquette book, to sort out all the ladies who wrote to *The Times* letters page recently, wanting to know how they should be properly addressed by their step-grandchildren.

Christian names all round is the only answer to that problem, especially as in these days of civilized divorce one often finds oneself bringing former in-laws into one's new kinship scheme.

Spending an evening saying, "May I introduce my ex-husband's brother – this is my step-niece", makes one feel like the Prologue of *Romeo and Juliet* crossed with one of the spicier episodes of *Dynasty*.

As a stepmother, whichever way you play it there is going to be trouble and you have to resign yourself to it. If your are true to thine ownself and refuse to be smarmy, you run the risk of pointed comparisons with Mother and getting the blame if not one single sulky teenager can be persuaded to stay for Christmas.

If, on the other hand, you model yourself on Truly Scrumptious, the adorable stepmother-to-be in the film, *Chitty-Chitty Bang Bang*, your stepchildren, aware that they're on to a good thing, will cleave to you unto death, which will certainly be yours.

A friend who is the Perfect Stepmother, as well as the Perfect Wife, Mother and Hostess, was so idolized by her stepchildren that they stayed around until long past their twenty-fifth birthdays.

Her husband's first wife (looking years younger on account of having all that lovely freedom from domestic strife) used to come and visit and say: "What a wonderful life you and John could be having if only you could get rid of all those children", as if all those children were nothing to do with her.

Is this better than having stepchildren who ring up and when you answer say, "Can I speak to Dad?" or pretend that they think you are the *au pair* when they arrive for their access weekends. Several rejected stepmothers of my acquaintance would say it is.

To survive as a stepmother you must never assume that when your stepchildren are having a bad time it is all your fault. The only reason you *do* assume this is that stepmothers have traditionally had a bad press.

Take comfort from an illuminating essay on stepmothers by the American writer, Erma Bombeck. Mrs Bombeck discloses that Snow White was a spaced-out, macramé-making hippy who drove her poor stepmother to asking, "Mirror, mirror, on the wall, what must I do to survive it all?" The mirror answered: "Drink!"

Similarly, Cinderella suffered from an over-active imagination and Hansel and Gretel ran away on purpose so that their stepmother would get life imprisonment for having supposedly murdered them.

I think Dr Spock should be told he's doing perfectly fine but perhaps his stepdaughter has a little room for improvement.

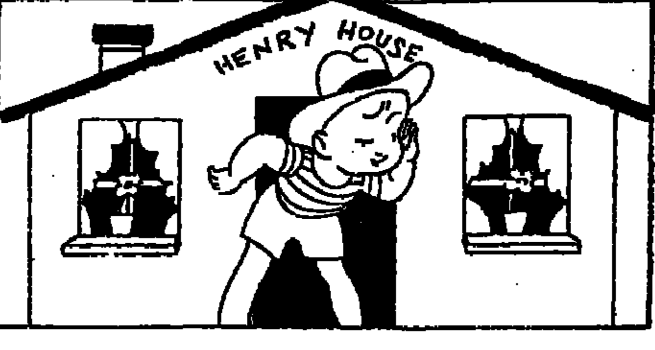
● Mr Nicholas Freeman, leader of the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Council, suffers dreadfully from tunnel vision. It makes him see his borough's entire population only as ratepayers.

Although I have paid my rates (currently £630 pa) to that council for many years, Mr Freeman's refusal to recognize me as a woman of many fascinating parts is very offensive.

As a ratepayer, I am supposed to feel grateful that Mr Freeman has knocked down the charming Old Town Hall in Kensington High Street and sold the site for £5.3m.

Well, as a human being I am upset by this transaction. I don't want the High Street turned into a mini-Croydon.

In boasting about the sale of the town hall site, Mr Freeman reminds me of the café owner who proudly listed on his menu "Salmon salad (best red tinned)".



Wendy doesn't live here any more

Just the other day I learnt that the term Wendy House is now taboo in some sexually egalitarian districts of London. I don't know whether this is a direct result of town hall policy or just another trickle-down effect of the GLC's New Enlightenment.

Whatever the case, the fact that those womb-like artifacts of paint wood which ape the parental setting are being referred to more and more as play units, play areas and play houses.

It is, of course, a patchy revolution; it may have gained the ascendancy in Lambeth and Islington, but in W8 a Wendy House is still a Wendy House and will probably remain so until the cows come home or until nannies cease to perambulate the young of others in Kensington Gardens – whichever is the later.

I am not about to knock the dull rhetoric of equality. It is always a shame when an apparently innocent term gets prized loose from the vocabulary because it no longer fits the spirit of the day, just as it was a shame when Popesgrove, Perivale, Temple Bar and the rest were lost in the digital offensive of STD.

None the less, who can honestly say that Wendy House is *not* a sexist term, or that its usage does *not*, through a very overt linking of two words, stamp the home with a female identity? Where are the Harry House, the Hughie House and the Henry House? Well, nowhere near the drawing board.

As one who has great doubts about where he stands in the nature versus nurture debate, I am intrigued by a book published today by Sara Stein, the American author of the much praised *Open Family* books. *Girls and Boys*, subtitled *The limits of Non-Sexist Childrearing*, addresses itself to precisely these questions (what might be termed the Wendy House area). Indeed, one of its achievements is to demonstrate that what may appear to be mere tokenism is often crucial to children's own perceptions of their coming roles long before the dawning of verbal comprehension.

I expect that Sara Stein would applaud the practice, already established in Lambeth, of ensuring that the playhouse contains a decent number of traditionally male articles, even though the very first sentence in the book has the following bleak message: "The bold experiment to raise non-sexist children is not working".

The ensuing 200 pages attempt to explain, under a number of headings, why this should be so. To say it is a bold stab would be uspeakably patronizing, for I know so little of child theory – as do most parents – that I can hardly sit in judgment over someone so well versed in the trade.

It is certainly a very even-handed book, with sympathetic approaches both to the traditionalist "Boys will be boys" school and to revisionary feminism. As with so much writing about children, there is, for every passage of clarity an equally impenetrable one (somehow not always the author's fault).

It could be argued that this is a good case of the form suiting the content; in Sara Stein's hands, the ultimate contradiction at the heart of her subject – namely that parents can apparently do absolutely everthing and less than nothing about their children – shines through with a blinding new dazzle.

I have the impression that she would have liked to find herself in the nurturist camp, but is prevented from keeping both feet there by the fruits of her researches. Not so much *vive la différence* as *regardez les différences.*

It is hard to say whether the author is more Benjamin Spock than Nancy Friday. There is the occasional strong overtone of the latter, and it would not be surprising if *Girls and Boys* were to create a minor media stirr – as did *My Mother Myself.*

I do find favour with this example: "If we are looking for true liberation from both the competitiveness of masculinity and the compliance of femininity, we are most likely to find it in an elderly couple. These changes are brought about by aging, not by society."

I always suspected that the problems of child-rearing would take a lifetime to solve, and now I know.

Alan Franks

Girls and Boys by Sara Stein is published today by Chatto & Windus (£9.95).

Women with designs on the future

The male world of architecture is getting the feminine touch

The Royal Institute of British Architects took 97 years to admit its first woman as a full member – Gillian Harrison, in 1931.

Tomorrow the 150-year-old institute opens its first exhibition of British women architects at work.

The exhibition, which runs until August 10, includes models, drawings and photographs of everything from courthouses, wine bars and flats to converted barns and a bath tub.

Shaking off its sexist slumber, the lumbering giant of the architectural establishment has woken up at last to the potential women can bring to the profession. Therefore, a central aim of the exhibition is to promote architecture as a career for girls, says the institute.

The institute is still reeling from a broadside by the Prince of Wales and needs to polish its tarnished image. The Prince called London skyscrapers "giant glass stumps" and the proposed extension to the National Gallery "a monstrous carbuncle". What next?

A transfusion of female blood into the palsied profession could restore its health. At present women represent just 7.1 per cent of all architects, compared with 11.4 per cent of barristers and 17.6 per cent of family doctors.

Peter Gibbs-Kennet, director of the insitute's education department, wants half the students at Britain's 36 schools of architecture to be women. The current figure is just over one fifth. The change in attitude can also be seen in the way the institute is busily removing what it admits is a male bias in its careerss literature. Mr Gibbs-Kennet is "sweating through the pamphlets" eliminating male-only pronouns and pictures.

Yet, despite the image of a male-dominated profession, women architects have proved remarkably resilient and successful.

Although there are no women architects to compete with household names such as Wren, Nash or Lutyens, women are increasingly making their mark in contemporary design.

In 1932 Elizabeth Scott designed the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre in Stratford-upon-Avon, and more recently women have been involved in the planning of the award-winning Burrell Gallery in Glasgow.

Furthermore, in the recent international Hongkong Peak competition, a woman, Zaha Hadid, beat 538 architects to take the prize.

One of the institute's outstanding members is Mrs Charlotte Baden-Powell – she acquired the famous name by being married at one time to a great-nephew of the founder of the Scout movement.

Since 1963 she has headed Baden-Powell Architects, of Bath and London, specializing in the rehabilitation of old buildings. She welcomes the exhibition as a good and timely idea, and, of course, her work figures in it.

Charlotte Baden-Powell divides her time between clients in Bath and London. When in town she lives in Chelsea, in an early Victorian terrace house with a bright red front door.

This dynamic woman in her late forties with short grey curly hair and wearing black slacks, ushers me in.

We clamber past her sons' racing bikes in the narrow hallway and enter a modernized open-plan living-room-cum-dining-room-cum-work room, with workbench and an armoury of tools. She knocked down the walls, put in a glass-roofed extension and flooded the place with light from the park outside.

She agrees with the principle of more women in the profession: "If only 7 per cent of all architects are women and assuming there are as many good designers among women as men, then more good women could raise the standard as there would be less fewer bad men.

"But, of course, the old taboos of men and maths putting women off architecture are pure myth. In fact, being a woman is an enormous advantage.

"The natural antagonism between builders and architects doesn't apply to women because it goes against the grain to be rude to a woman. And once a builder sees that you know what you're talking about he wants to please you.

"Women may be better equipped to persuade, discuss and encourage before finally coming to the crunch. It's a method which generally works. A lot of men expect themselves to have all the answers and don't ask builders, surveyors and engineers for their opinions. I frequently do."

So much for the scourge of men. Equally she poo-poohs maths, as she stroked her Siamese cat, Pushkin.

"The moment structures get at all difficult you call in a structural engineer", she explains.

The institute confirms that maths is no longer an absolute requirement.

Mrs Baden-Powell was 17½ when she started her studies at the Architectural Association. Her father was a mechanical engineer, her mother an interior decorator in London, but the source of her inspiration was her nanny's brother.

He was an architect and she fell in love with the idea of drawing designs for houses and interiors.

She recalls: "At the AA I was the only woman to pass out of a class of 45 students. When I first arrived some of the male students told me I was only there to find a husband and was taking the place a man should have. 'You'll never qualify', they said."

The taunt offended her but also spurred her on as a challenge throughout her highly successful career.

If more women enter the profession, will they bring different insights and perceptions apart from a tendency to consensus rather than conflict?

"No!" cries Mrs Baden-Powell, dropping the cat. "I passionately believe that there are good and bad designers, full stop. Sex has nothing to do with it. The only difference between men and women architects is that men are colour blind and women aren't."

According to the Institute of Ophthalmology, 8 per cent of men suffer from "defective colour vision", the commonest confusion arising between yellow and green and yellow and red. Considerably fewer than 1 per cent of women have the defect.

Not all women architects wanted to show their work at the exhibition. Matrix, a feminist design cooperative in north London, will not be represented as its members do not see producing designs as consumer goods as a priority. And, they claim, the context of the exhibition was not made clear to them.

The Matrix people also disagree with Mrs Baden-Powell about the contribution women can make to architecture. For their part they passionately believe women can bring new insights and a new philosophy into play. The cooperative's 10 members – all between late twenties and late thirties – work for women's groups in the public sector.

Cath Taylor, a tall woman topped by a Mohican coiffure said: "Male designers are blind to women's facilities outside the home – women's centres, children's centres and facilities for children and push-chairs in buildings like cafés and restaurants, for example."

Paul Nathanson

Women Architects – Their work, is at the Royal Institute of British Architects, 66 Portland Place, London WC1.




The feminine touch: Charlotte Baden-Powell believes being a woman is an advantage, while Avril Jones says: 'We can design more than kitchens'

The profession should be a top draw

Avril Jones, 23, has a persuasive argument for why more women should become architects. "After all, 50 per cent of the people using buildings are women and only 7 per cent of the designers are", she says.

Miss Jones recently qualified from Bristol University's now defunct school of architecture. She is committed to community projects and works on playgrounds and city farms in Bristol.

"Women can design more than just kitchens" she said. "They were involved in the design of the Thames Barrier, the extension to Terminal 4 at Heathrow and the Open University."

Miss Jones plays an active part in the institute's activities and occasionally lectures to sixth-formers. She insists that the way to change is from within the institute, putting pressure on the establishment.

"RIBA's career service is inadequate", she said, "and there's still a male bias in the careers literature, which alienates girls. But architecture is a very worthwhile career for a woman."


Working together: The Matrix women

PARIS DIARY

John P. Harris

Prisoners of gender

The dear old Academie Francaise is having trouble with the Minister of Women's Rights, Mme Yvette Roudy. She recently set up a Terminological Commission, whose job it is to make helpful suggestions about job-names and so forth. The Academy has just uttered a warning broadside, or squeak, against such tampering with the language.

This is no light affair. English difficulties with barpersons, Madam Chairman and what you call the Mayor's married partner when the Mayor is a lady – these are mere flea-bites in comparison.

But let us first hear the Academy. It says, with a thin veneer of reason, that the words masculine and feminine, when used for genders, do not mean masculine and feminine at all. *Tous les hommes sont mortels*, as in "All men are mortal" refers to the whole human race. The word *ministre*, grammatically masculine, goes for Mme Roudy, just as "the Prime Minister" means Mrs Thatcher. No need, they say, for feminization of words like *ministre, docteur, chef, écrivain* and the rest. They then make a bold suggestion. Away with the terms masculine and feminine for naming genders of nouns. Call them "marked" and "unmarked". The unmarked gender, masculine to you and me, covers both sexes; the marked gender is limitative and indicates sexual segregation: ladies only. *Les hommes* are men and women; *Les femmes* are not.

Now this will not do. Never mind about the problem of victims, recruits and persons, who are feminine in gender but of both sexes (so that here it is the feminine that is "unmarked" – *Une victime, une recrue* and *une personne* can be 100 per cent he-man). No, we are up against irresistible logic meeting immovable system.

Why must 'le' have all the leverage?

And here, let us not be modest about it, English wins hands down. In French, once you have used a noun you have to follow suit, gender-wise, absolutely rigorously, until you can *manage* to play a different noun-trump. If English were like French, our prime minister would have to be he and him; we would have to talk of his hair-style and his husband... until we could introduce a term like "the kind lady" – which, being feminine, would get us back on the rails with "she" etc. Thus, when (on those complicated forms the French love) I have to refer to my wife as *mon conjoint* (my married partner) she has to be *il* until further notice; and if I get knocked down on the Champs Elysées I shall be *une victime*, and *elle, elle, elle*, with adjectives in the feminine, until they get around to *le pauvre Anglais*, which will let me be *il*.

And do the French really think that the masculine is *non-marqué* and means she or he? Of course not. Come off it, Academy. General de Gaulle began his famous televised exhortations with "*Françaises! Français!*". No nonsense with him about Francais doing for both sexes – he gave the Francaises their vote.

The Academy ought to come clean. Every British schoolchild knows that French is a macho language, and uptight about it too. When my short-trousered comrades and I, down in the prep-school jungle, were told that a thousand girls plus one boy were *ils* not *elles*, there were cries of "Ooh sir! Not fair!" Masculine for half and half, or perhaps six girls to four boys, we could accept, but one yowling male baby to a train-load of Mae Wests and Marlene Dietrichs, no.

I have deep friendly feelings for France and the French, especially certain *Francaises*, and it gives me great pleasure to put forward a modest and equitable proposal to relieve their troubles. The masculine gender has had a long innings. It is time to let the other side have a turn. So: make the feminine the normal gender. Give the feminine form first for adjectives in dictionaries. Not *il y a, il pleut* etc., but *elle y a*....

The basic undifferentiated form of the past participle will of course be the feminine, and we men will have to do the thinking. When the members of the Academy have Mme Yourcenar among them, they will be *elles*. What was sauce for the goose... All doctors will be *doctoresses*.

No need to mangle the existing books. Make the change starting in the year 2000. Change back again in 2100, and so on – an innings per century.

I hope Mme Roudy and the Terminological Commission read *The Times*.

BARRY FANTONI



'Of course I'm right behind her, but that's not to say I'm not right behind him'

The wrong rate for the jobs

by Bryan Gould

The first casualty of what has all the hallmarks of a good, old fashioned sterling crisis will be the already *fragile confidence* in the Government's economic strategy. As in so many other matters, the Government's claim to have brought about fundamental change is now shown to be hollow. Until now, many may have believed government assurances that the sacrifices – lost jobs, the record insolvencies, cuts in public services – have been worthwhile because sustainable growth is at last within our grasp. But if things are now going to get worse again and another round of sacrifices is required – this time from a starting point where more than three million people are already out of work – the Government will suffer a damaging and deserved backlash from those who now see that their faith was misplaced.

The rise of 2.75 per cent in interest rates means that any hope of an improvement in the economy has been extinguished. Unemployment will continue its long climb, at a faster pace. Industrial investment will be choked off. Output will fall. The trade balance in manufactures will worsen. A further round of public spending cuts is a real prospect.

Most significantly, the rise in interest rates undermines the only real achievement the Government can claim – the fall in inflation. What many of us have long suspected – that this lone success was a suppression, rather than an eradication, of inflation – is now shown to be true.

Like so many of its predecessors, the present government has been prepared to face with equanimity almost any development, however bad – except a collapse of the currency.

Other countries have also seen their currencies fall against an over-valued dollar but have responded with much more common sense. They have refused to be trapped, as our government has been, into jeopardizing recovery by following United States rates upwards. The Germans, for instance, have kept their interest rates *low* (about 6 per cent below US rates) and let the exchange rate take the strain. As a result they have preserved their chances of pursuing recovery. Indeed, their industry will benefit from the renewed competitiveness produced by a lower exchange rate.

As a result, we now look certain to be the last remaining centre of rapidly rising unemployment. The Americans have created four million jobs in 15 months. The average unemployment in countries like Austria, Sweden, Switzerland and Norway is about 3 per cent. Only we seem intent on pursuing policies which mean that unemployment must rise.

Faced with a dilemma of its own creation, the Government has got itself impaled on the wrong horn. Despite the dramatic slide against the dollar, the pound remains over-valued in relation to the currencies of many of our most important competitors.

A further fall against EEC currencies (against which the pound has appreciated by 6 per cent since the first quarter of 1983) would be beneficial at a time when the competitiveness of British industry is again declining.

The pound is admittedly now too low against a grossly over-valued dollar. It is understandable that many casual observers should be misled by the dollar rate, but why has the Government suddenly taken fright? If it could look on unconcernedly as the pound fell steadily from $2.40 to $1.40 – a fall of 42.5 per cent – what was so threatening about the further marginal, probably temporary, fall to $1.30?

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Nicholas Ashford previews the Democratic convention, starting today





Mondale with running mate Geraldine Ferraro, and nomination also-rans Jackson and Hart: all they have in common is abhorrence of Reagan – who must be beaten if the old divisions are not to reappear

The fragile unity that will not survive defeat

San Francisco

When workmen turned on the TV lamps for the first trial run at the underground Moscone Centre in San Francisco, site of this week's Democratic national convention, the temperature quickly soared to over 90 degrees Fahrenheit.

The organizers are confident that by the time the 30,000-plus delegates, alternates, guests, journalists and hangers-on take their seats at this afternoon's opening session, the heating problem will have been sorted out. Mr Walter Mondale's aides are equally confident that they have managed to cool the potential disputes which at one stage threatened to turn the convention into a slanging match.

They hope that Mr Mondale, having made a fragile peace with his presidential rivals, Senator Gary Hart and the Rev Jesse Jackson, and having inspired delegates by his choice of Mrs Geraldine Ferraro as *his running mate, will be able to use* the convention's prime-time TV coverage to project himself as the strong and popular leader of a united party.

Nothing has been left to chance. Mondale's campaign managers are undertaking a massive operation to ensure that the convention produces no unpleasant surprises for a man who has devoted the past three years to the single-minded pursuit of the party's presidential nomination.

Hundreds of Mondale-sponsored "delegate trackers", "cluster leaders" and "whips", supported by a *$150,000 telephone system and* more than 200 walkie-talkies, will be strategically located around the Moscone Centre to make sure that key votes go his way.

All of the 3,933 delegates have been presented with "Mondale-for-President" tote bags on arrival in San Francisco. Mondale aides have also been assigned to all major TV networks so they can be instantly *available for "impromptu" inter*views and to deal with the rumours which inevitably abound at convention time.

Such elaborate and costly precautions – the Mondale campaign has earmarked $400,000 for the convention – would seem unnecessary given the apparent strength of Mondale's position. Although Hart intends to keep his challenge alive until the final vote, the convention arithmetic is now heavily against *him and not even his most loyal* supporters expect a last-minute swing in his favour. The worst Jackson can do is to cause a little turbulence during the platform debates.

But Mondale has always been a cautious man and, as the sacking of Charles Manatt as party chairman on the eve of the opening demonstrated, conventions invariably produce unexpected crises which can rebound embarrassingly on the front-runner.

Explaining Mondale's strategy at an eve-of-convention press conference, Tom Donilon, the 29-year-old operations manager and delegate counter, said: "The only way you can make sure the convention runs smoothly and the Democrats look *like they have their act together is to* have a superb organization.

"That's what we intend to do. The whole Democratic Party is in one building for four days, and we intend to do our *politics correctly*."

Despite Mondale's best laid plans, the convention is unlikely to present a picture of total harmony. Floor debates are scheduled on five resolutions, four of them sponsored by supporters of the mercurial Jackson.

One opposes any first-use of nuclear weapons while another (propably the most contentious of *them all) advocates "substantial real* reductions in military spending over the next five years."

The Democrats want to cap military spending, but they don't want to be in a position of being accused by President Reagan of weakening America's defences.

A third Jackson resolution would put the party back on record in support of goals and timetables for implementing affirmative action programmes. The fourth seeks a commitment to abolish runoff "second primaries", which Jackson has argued discriminate against blacks in 10 southern states. This will be strongly resisted by conservative white southern Democrats.

The fifth resolution, sponsored by the Hart camp, calls for a commitment to "the selective judicious use of American military power" around the world. Hart and Mondale aides have held lengthy talks to decide whether it will make special reference to the Gulf.

Many of the other issues which at one stage threatened to disrupt *proceedings have been shelved. Hart* has dropped his credentials challenge to some 600 Mondale delegates who, he said, were "tainted" because of the way their election had been funded. Jackson has said he will not press complaints about delegate selection rules under which he obtained only 10 per cent of the convention delegates even though he won 20 per cent of the popular vote during the primary campaign.

However, no matter how unified and cohesive the Democrats manage to appear by the time the gavel falls for the last time on Thursday *evening, it is unlikely they will have* resolved a fundamental question which is troubling many younger members. How should the party shape up to the challenges of the last decade and a half of the twentieth century?

The unity which they are striving to maintain this week essentially comes from their natural abhorrence of President Reagan. But the party *needs more than a shared sense of* anti-Reaganism if it is to regain the White House, either this year or in 1988.

The Democrats have won only one of the last four presidential elections, and that was in the aftermath of the Watergate scandal when Jimmy Carter managed to unseat a stop-gap Republican, Gerald Ford.

If they fail to win the White House this time a lot of younger Democrats will be asking how the largest party in the US (43 per cent or registered voters are Democrats compared with only 30 per cent, Republicans) with a large majority in the House and control of 35 of the nation's 50 state houses, manages to keep losing elections?

This question surfaced during the primary campaign battle between Mondale and Hart. Mondale was the representative of the old "New Dealers" and looked for his support to the party's traditional constituencies – the elderly, the poor and minorities. Hart tried to present himself as the candidate of "new ideas" and sought, with considerable success, to attract the backing of the post-Vietnam generation, especially the so-called Yuppies (young urban professionals), for whom the Democratic Party had become the party of *the past*.

As it turned out, the battle for the Democratic nomination had more to do with demography and tactics than ideology or philosophy. However, the Mondale-Hart duel did reveal that an increasing number of Democrats were grasping for a fresh identity and a modern agenda.

This will not emerge in San Francisco this week. The "old guard" remain firmly in the saddle. The key figures at the convention – Mondale, Ferraro, Governor Mario Cuomo of New York, who will make the keynote speech today, and Bert Lance, Mondale's *new campaign* chairman, are all New Dealers at heart.

If the Democrats regain the White House in November, the "old guard" will be able to claim that traditional Democratic ideals are still relevant in the mid-1980s. But if the party suffers another defeat – and at present Mondale's chances of beating Reagan are not rated high – *this week's papering over of cracks* will be quickly rent asunder. The 1988 convention could prove to be a lot less harmonious than this week's session promises to be.

When the community could not care less

Psychiatry has its fashions. In the 1970s, community care was seen as an excellent model but today an increasing number of pyschiatrists and social workers are asking just how much care patients actually manage to get "in the community". A conference *starting today* organized by the Richmond Fellowship, which runs hostels all over Britain for mental patients, reflects growing anxiety about this issue.

Tony is a 38-year-old schizophrenic. Since he left hospital two years ago, he has been living alone in a room near Croydon. He has few friends. Once a month, he goes to the doctor to get his injection of a maintenance *drug, Modecate, which* wards off the worst symptoms. In the week before a new injection is due, Tony sometimes becomes rather confused. Apart from that one visit to his GP, Tony never sees a doctor or a social worker. He survives in the community but not thanks to the community.

There seemed to be excellent medical and economic reasons in the 1970s for pushing patients out of hospitals and into the community. Research suggested that anyone who stayed long in hospital became dependent and frightened of leaving. It was not just radical anti-psychiatrists like R. D. Laing who believed it was wrong to shut mental patients away.

Governmens saw savings. Victorian psychiatric hospitals were expensive to run. From the mid-1970s on, all secretaries of state at the DHSS claimed to be committed to more care outside hospitals.

Despite this commitment, services in the community have not become adequate enough to keep out of hospital all those who do not need to go in. A recent study by Dr *Robin McCreadie and colleagues at* the Crichton Royal Hospital looked at chronic in-patients in 15 Scottish hospitals. Some 38 per cent of them would not need to enter hospital if *there were adequate hostels, group* homes and sheltered lodgings. The study concluded that "little progress has been made in the past ten years."

In England, there is no evidence that the situation is better. Some health authorities and social services have put patients out of hospitals *and into bed and breakfast houses. A* few southern coastal resorts, like Margate and Worthing, now house considerable numbers of ex-patients whose daycare centre is, often, the local Wimpy Bar where no "caring professionals" are to be found.

Elly Jansen, the founder of the Richmond Fellowship, is worried by the "increasing divergence between official policy and statements of *intent made by governments.*" Hospitals are run down without alternatives being built up. "No one denies the need for better facilities 'within the community'," she says, "however, proposals for advance meet declarations that funding is impossible." She also finds that attitudes in the community continue to be rejecting.

Central to the whole notion of "community care" is that patients ought to be accepted by the rest of us in the outside world. The evidence, both in this country and in America, is that public attitudes remain doggedly hostile. Alexander Leighton, who was professor of social psychiatry at Harvard, published a massive indictment of what he *labelled* "communityism" after a study of some Canadian experiments. Doctors and social workers who had high hopes for integrating patients often deluded themselves and were "as a consequence *let* down in their expectations".

Precisely because psychiatry is prey to fashions, there are those who argue that the whole notion of community care has now gone too far. Conservative psychiatrists are appalled by an Italian experiment in which all psychiatric hospitals in one town have been closed down and it requires the signatures of two doctors and of the local mayor to get anyone hospitalized.

The problems of community care are not good reason to cram patients back into hospitals. McCreadie's study shows clearly the need for better organization of services and the money to do it. It also requires some campaigning to get people to accept that.

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Ferdinand Mount

Why the unions can lord it no longer

At times like these, you may find it instructive, wincing only a *little*, to recall Disraeli's prophecy in 1875, that his two trade union Acts (which in effect legalized both strikes and picketing) "will gain and retain for the Conservatives the lasting affection of the working classes". It all seems a far cry from Immingham and Orgreave. In fact, it demands quite an effort of the imagination to remember that the 1875 Acts, like the Liberal Act of 1906, were designed to avoid precisely that sort of clash by encouraging "responsible trade unionism".

By granting precious legal privileges to the trade unions, governments hoped to help them learn the habits of civility. The unions would "put their own house in order" and "fulfil their side of the bargain". Trade unions behaved badly *only* because the existing laws did not fairly accommodate their interests. If they were "bloody aristocracies of industry" – to quote William *Thompson*, the so-called founder of scientific socialism – it was because they had no legitimate alternative to brute force, whether in dealing with employers or with non-unionists or even their own dissenting members.

It was a rum argument to start with, that people would become more, not less, responsible for their actions if they were no longer expected to abide by the law. But once the privileges had been granted, the argument had to shift. Some trade unions might still be behaving badly, it was now argued, but they would behave infinitely worse if their legal privileges were removed. Indeed, any government which attempted to do the removing might well find that it was unable to govern at all. Proof of this was said to be given by Harold Wilson's *surrender* to the unions over Mrs Castle's proposals, *In Place of Strife* (a curiously lyrical title for an official document, not equalled until Sir William Rees-Mogg wowed us with *The Glory of the Garden*); the eventual failure of Mr Heath's Industrial Relations Act was thought to convey the same message to foolhardy governments.

Yet here and now, in July 1984, both the fears and *the hopes* aroused by trade union reform seem misplaced or exaggerated. The "bloody aristocracies" behave just as badly as they did in 1974, or *indeed in 1884*; they still intimidate, prevaricate and cheat to get their way; they still bash anyone who disagrees with them; they still remain indifferent to the law, going to the courts only to secure minor points of tactical advantage.

Yet outside the old industries – the mines, the docks and the railways – public attitudes are very different. The pseudo-morality that trade union loyalty is the highest of all causes and comes a long way before obedience to the law, has been generally rejected. And the appetite for legal reform of the trade unions is still hearty enough. People, in fact, tend to be impatient about the details: if mass picketing is not yet actually a crime, then it should be made one. If strike ballots are not postal, then *they ought* to be. Why aren't strikes banned in essential services?

While the carnivores snarl and bite, the more herbivorous trade unions are negotiating no-strike agreements with new employers. And the employers are using the Prior and Tebbit Acts to sue in the courts and, when they win, the *unions* are paying up.

The political momentum is clear enough, both from the vigour with which the SDP urges the beefing up of the current trade union Bill and from the half-hearted way in which the Labour Party argues against it. It is obvious that most people want the trade unions – including their own trade union – to be part of normal life. And more and more people are uneasy about *the double* standard involved in belonging to an organization which asserts the right to bully and lie in a way they would consider shocking in their private lives. Marxists believe that militant trade unions magnetize and radicalize their more timid brethren. But for every young miner who thrills to Mr Scargill, there are dozens of their contemporaries in other unions who are repelled and alienated. The sight of the carnivores' dripping fangs only makes more vegetarians.

Mr Scargill must lose and be seen to lose. Yet the miners must be treated fairly – as fairly as they would have been treated if the NUM had defended its members' interests in a proper fashion. There is no contradiction between those two statements. Indeed, a defeat for Mr Scargill would be a victory for the modern trade anion movement – for once rightly described as a movement, since it is moving, slowly but inexorably, towards the re-integration of the trade *unions* into civil society.

What the trade union Acts of 1875 and 1906 and 1974 did was repeatedly to thrust the trade unions outside normal life and to invite them all to behave like bloody aristocracies – all privilege and no responsibility. Immunity from the law led naturally to the illusion of immunity from reality too. It was a disastrous wrong turning in British politics, and we have three million people out of work to show for it.

I do not suggest that everyone yet understands just how much militant, wrecking trade unionism has damaged employment. But most people do now recognize the social and moral consequences of elevating trade unionism not only above the *law but also above what Orwell* would have called "common decency". And that is a start.

Anne Sofer

Could anyone cap Jenkin?

Some months ago, in one of those sessions of frank gossip that make political life bearable, a Conservative colleague at County Hall confided his view that this government was finished. Much though it was what I wanted to hear, I couldn't believe he was serious: the Tories were riding high in the polls, the second Thatcher administration *had barely begun*, and all the banana skins looked like avoidable, though unsightly, litter.

But he persisted. Just look at the catalogue of disasters, he said, and began to spell them out. The list needed the fingers of both hands and consisted entirely of names of members of the Cabinet, starting with Leon Brittan and ending with Cecil Parkinson (it was that long ago). He shook his head sadly like a country vet confirming the fatal nature of an accident to a celebrated hunter.

It seems far more plausible now *than it did then*, but *what* interests me particularly both in the original comment and in the similar comments growing in intensity over the past month is that so many of them see the Government's failures in terms of the public performance of its ministers rather than the good sense or success of its policies. The play, it seems, has already been agreed on and must go on. The only *discussable variables* are the actors. It is almost as if – dare one suggest it? – the playwright is manipulating the reviewers to make sure they slate the actors rather than the script.

The most obvious victim of this process at present is Patrick Jenkin. To be honest, he has not given a sparkling performance. But the question nobody seems to be asking is this: given the Conservative manifesto commitments and the mess of local government finance he inherited from his predecessors, could anyone else have done much better? If Mrs Thatcher's preferred *option for the* paving Bill – extending the life of the present GLC and metropolitan county administrations – had been adopted in the first place, would all have gone smoothly? Would not all those posters about democracy still have gone up, and Londoners still have been as easily moved to a sense of outrage? Would another Environment Secretary have been able to dispose of all the functions of the GLC more expeditiously? Or prevent the clamour of the arts and disablement lobbies, the churches and the voluntary sector?

And what about *rate-capping?* This is another manifesto commitment which, it was thought, would bring the Government considerable popularity. Whatever the local government constitutionalists might say, the ordinary ratepayer, it was alleged, would press the reduced rate-slip to his heart and bless Mrs Thatcher's name. Yet when it appears that the Government is in the fortunate position of being able to offer this special bonus to voters in the Portsmouth South by-election, what happens? *The supposed* vote-winner is hidden away with some embarrassment and confessed to only in a hangdog manner when a leak has made disclosure inevitable. *Was it Mr Jenkin's fault that* electoral gold had turned to dross, or was it the fault of whoever it was who imagined dross was gold in the first place?

And so we come to Liverpool. This is seen as Mr Jenkin's most serious blunder to date. Presented as it was by Derek Hatton, the council's deputy leader, as a Government climb-down, it has knocked many Tories almost insensible with rage and disbelief.

Mr Jenkin disputes that there has been any surrender, and the precise facts and figures of the deal have not yet been made fully public and subject to analysis. But here lies the problem. Local government finance is by now so abstruse that very few people in the country understand it. *It is governed by a mechanism* – known as the block grant – which can almost be guaranteed to ensure that decisions have results wholly disproportionate, and in some cases the opposite, to what is intended. For instance, at a particular point on a particular graph, any local council can find that for every pound it wants to spend it has to raise £5 from the ratepayer. Or it can find *that by keeping spending below what* the Government thinks it should be, it can be penalized for overspending. The former trap is the one in which Liverpool found itself, and the latter *the position of many of the Tory* shires.

This ridiculous system is made worse by the fact that it can be discussed only in its own private vocabulary of disregards, targets and thresholds. Consequently, Mr Jenkin will never be able to explain, in language that the ordinary person can understand, how it is that he has *not* given in to Liverpool. But while *he is* almost certainly remiss in not anticipating the political capital the Liverpool councillors would make out of the situation, the system itself is not his creation, but that of his predecessor, Michael Heseltine.

It is rumoured that Mr Jenkin will not survive an autumn purge. Certainly he will play the part of scapegoat with more conviction than he does his present role. But what favourite son or daughter of the Prime Minister will be asked to take on the job of carrying out Conservative policy on local government? No sane politician would touch it with a barge pole.

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STATE OF EMERGENCY

The miners' strike, on which Mrs Thatcher has firmly and correctly placed the principal blame for the current financial malaise and the consequent rise in interest rates, is the product and responsibility of one man. If Mr Arthur Scargill had not been in the position which has enabled him to manipulate the miners' groundless fears of unemployment to promote the class war he openly proclaims, the strike would probably not have started and would almost certainly have been settled by now. Just as, by his own admission, he used the miners' strike of 1972 when he was also (in his own words) "fighting a government" in his class war, though from a more junior position, so today he is using the same methods as leader of the National Union of Mineworkers, acting for the forces of the anti-democratic left, to bring down this Government, or at least destroy the policies on which it was elected.

The ruthless rejection of reason and compromise which is Mr Scargill's principal characteristic is also his principal strength. It makes it virtually impossible for people inhabiting the rational world of give-and-take negotiations to deal with him. Yet his political ruthlessness is also his potentially greatest weakness. For Mr Scargill has left nobody in any doubt that his struggle is against the Constitution which frightens many who might be his allies in a more normal industrial dispute.

Thus though responsible Labour leaders have been timorous of condemning Mr Scargill outright, they have for the most part feared even more to support him, since they know that the Labour Party's survival as a serious claimant to political power depends on its being recognized as a constitutional party which cannot countenance the destruction of a legitimate government by unconstitutional means. On Saturday, however, at the Durham miners' gala, Mr Neil Kinnock came perilously and disgracefully near to abandoning that position when he falsely described the dispute as "a fight in the mining communities for survival" and proclaimed that Mrs Thatcher must not be allowed to "let this industry and the coal communities rot". Those in the Labour Party who still have regard to the traditions which Attlee bequeathed them must surely be dismayed to hear their leader endorse Mr Scargill's campaign in the terms Mr Kinnock used this weekend.

More to the point, however, fear of Mr Scargill's attack on elected parliamentary govermemnt is what has so far deprived him of the trade union allies he has sought. Of course, it is in large part for the protection of their own jobs that the steel men have resisted his attacks on their industry, but there is also no doubt that they are disinclined to support the political purposes behind Mr Scargill's strike. That was also true, when it came to the point, of the railwaymen. Unions will push their luck when they can, and often much too far for the economic and social well-being of the generality of their fellow citizens, but they usually know that their rank-and-file will not support any attempt to destroy the elected Government.

The story of industrial relations in Britain since the First World War has been one in which every strike which has been clearly seen as political in its motivation or its effect has failed for lack of popular support. It has been this that has so far kept Mr Scargill, relying on the cheers and bullying of his little private army, in an isolated position, rejected even by a significant and courageous element in his own union.

Now, however, he seems to have hope of allies. The dispute at the major docks seems to have congealed into something very like a total stoppage. It began because British Steel had used non-dockers to unload iron ore at Immingham, near Grimsby, after shipments had been blacked by dockers in support of the miners. The Transport and General Workers' Union now argues that what is at issue is the continued existence of the National Dock Labour Scheme, which gives protection to the dockers' employment by providing that only registered dockers may work in the ports (handling about 70 per cent of the nation's imports and exports) covered by the scheme. On the other hand, the strong suspicion has been voiced from British Steel that the original Immingham dispute (now in principal settled by agreement) which precipated the wider stoppage was deliberately engineered to help the striking miners. The continuing stoppage over the demand for a blanket undertaking from the employers against non-registered labour seems to be fuelled with the same political purpose.

With this threat to the nation from the fifty-four major docks, the Government clearly has the duty immediately to avail itself of the powers it has under the Emergency Powers Act of 1920, and its amending Act of 1964, to deal with any threat to the life of the community as a whole. The law enables the Government to make any regulations necessary to secure the supply of food, water, fuel, energy and transport, to preserve peace, and "for any other purposes essential to the public safety and life of the community".

It is a safeguard that has had the support of, and has been used by, both Conservative and Labour Governments. "Provision must be made, in an exceptional way, to meeet the life needs of the nation. I do not regard steps of that kind as breaking a strike", said J. R. Clynes, the vice-chairman of the Parliamentary Labour Party when the Bill was before the House of Commons in 1920. No Government has accepted the right of trade unions to bring the country to a standstill, since to do so would be to cede to an insurrectionary force the power that properly belongs only to an elected Government.

The state of emergency legislation exists as a protection against any action that threatens the body politic as such. Within three months of coming to power in 1945, the Attlee Government used troops to unload food in a 41 day dock strike (under the Defence of the Realm Act that was still then in being). Proclamations of states of emergency were made in the dock strikes of 1948, 1949, 1970 and 1972. In 1972, it was also used in the coal miners' strike and in March 1974 in connexion with the coal and electricity strikes. States of emergency have also been proclaimed in face of rail, seamen's and transport strikes, as well, of course, as in the General Strike of 1926.

Emergency powers regulations are not to be used lightly, and of course if the regulations are made it does not follow that they will have to be used. Still less should these powers be used as a tactical threat or weapon in the course of a dispute. They do not exist for strike-breaking but to protect the life of the community when there is an undoubted potential need to protect the citizens' health, well-being and safety. But on the other hand, no government should hesitate to use them, if such a need clearly exists, for fear of seeming to make conciliation more difficult. As Sir John Anderson observed in a debate on the London dock strike in 1949, "an emergency organization cannot be established on the basis of conciliation", and he added: "Conciliation and all that goes with it ... is very important, but it should not be allowed to dominate the situation."

Of course, it is inevitable that the effectiveness of a strike is bound to be undermined if it comes to the point that the state has to use its powers to defend its legitimate authority. But if that point is reached, it is only because the instigators of the strike have taken it beyond the normal limits within which, by due bargaining and mutual agreement, a dispute can be settled before it threatens to endanger political stability.

Any government is rightly reluctant to bring into play the Civil Contingencies Unit, which is based in the Cabinet Office, to deal with a threat to the life of the people. If the Government now makes emergency regulations, it will only be because Mr Scargill's politically motivated strike has unhappily spilled over into an area where it raises the question: who rules? If, to paraphrase Lloyd George, the state were to yield to a stronger power, then the consequential logic is that that power takes over – which is the aim of the revolutionary in every age. That, of course, is precisely what Mr Scargill wants, but his ultimate weakness is that it is the last thing wanted by the overwhelming majority of his fellow citizens. They are democrats, and they will deny him the "historic victory" at which he aims.

THE DOUBLE CHIN FACTOR

The defeat of Sir Robert Muldoon in the New Zealand general election removes from the world stage, at least temporarily, one of its more colourful figures. New Zealand is a small country and a long way from almost everywhere else, but Sir Robert has been its leader for nearly nine years – longer than any other democratically elected national leader now in office – and he has led it in a style calculated to attract attention.

His most memorable stand in international terms was his refusal to ban the South African rugby tour in 1981. While making clear his personal dislike of apartheid and his determination to uphold the multiracial character of New Zealand's own society, Mr Muldoon (as he then was) stuck courageously to the principle that sporting links should not be dictated by government in a free society. The flak which he encountered as a result from other Commonwealth countries, so far from intimidating him, provoked him to some very outspoken remarks at the Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting in Melbourne, whose declaration (drafted by the Australian Liberal Prime Minister, Mr Malcolm Fraser) he dismissed as "a series of pious platitudes with a totally inadequate conclusion".

"I work on the basis that strong straightforward words help all the time", he said on the same occasion. Indeed, he was given to using expressive words like "ratbag" to describe journalists whose questions he found offensive. He was equally forthright in criticizing the European Community, for its treatment of New Zealand after British entry, and in expressing his support for Britain during the Falklands war.

He could be called "Thatcherite" in his abrasive, uncompromising political style – though with a masculine, antipodean crudity which Mrs Thatcher would hardly emulate. Surprisingly, though, in recent years he had become distinctly Heathite in the content of some of his policies. Last year he stomped the world preaching the need for a "new Bretton Woods" – a nostrum also favoured by socialist France and other debtor countries, and implying an attempt to organize collective interference – almost certainly restrictive in effect if not in intention – with world trade. At home, following in the ill-starred footsteps of his neighbour Mr Fraser, he has been struggling to master an economic crisis with price-and-wage freezes, state-imposed cuts in mortgage rates, and sweeping regulations on bank and finance company lending. Symbolically, perhaps, his familiar jutting jaw has become a double chin.

Finally, like both Mr Heath and Mr Fraser before him, he called a snap election hoping to dramatize the conflict between himself and the trade unions. But he has fared no better than they. His party lost votes on its right to the New Zealand Party, which has grasped the free enterprise banner Sir Robert incautiously abandoned, while the Labour leader Mr Lange – like Mr Hawke in Australia last year – has been able to present himself to the middle-ground electorate as the man who will restore national unity.

Mr Lange is a moderate on most issues and his success is hardly a disaster for the West. He does face the almost invariable dilemma of new left-wing governments, being pledged to increase government spending yet owing his victory to an economic crisis caused partly by already excessive foreign debt. There is also the awkwardness for the West created by his pledge to ban nuclear-powered shipping from New Zealand waters. The fact that, owing to Sir Robert's in this case rather ill-timed obstinacy, the Anzus Ministerial Council meets today in Wellington with a lame-duck foreign minister in the chair does not exactly facilitate the issue. But at least it provides the occasion for an early informal meeting between Mr Lange and Mr George Shultz, to look for ways of limiting the damage to an Alliance which both are anxious to maintain.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Stay of execution at County Hall

From Mr Robert Mitchell

Sir, The action of the Government, giving me and my fellow GLC councillors an additional unelected year of service, does not solve many problems. It avoids changing the colour of the council by ministerial dictat but the oddly named Paving Bill (is the road to hell still paved with good intentions?) still cancels elections before the abolition legislation is passed.

Since frantic whipping in the House of Lords only produced a majority of 20 last time, that passing cannot be assumed. Perhaps the Government may now consider the very flimsy justification it has, before proceeding.

The manifesto commitment occupied 7½ lines in a 47-page document. How many votes it affected will never be known – but certainly very few outside the areas concerned.

In the GLC area in the 1983 election 1,517,154 voted for the manifesto and 1,940,631 against – 44 per cent for, 56 per cent against. In the metropolitan counties it was 39 per cent for and 61 per cent against. In both cases in 1979 more voted Conservative when there was no such commitment.

The extent of opposition to abolition emerged in the responses to the Government's White Paper, *Streamling the cities*. Only 91 of the organizations and persons who responded were for abolition, 882 against and 512 had no overall view. The ambiguity in presentation prevents analysis of the 512. Certainly only 91 out of 1,485 wanted straight abolition.

Public opinion polls in London are showing 65 per cent against abolition. It is insulting to assume that all Londoners are duped by Livingstone propaganda.

In fact, the continuous references to Livingstone performances and sayings are a particularly depressing part of Government propaganda. The discussion is (or, at least, should be) about the need for a directly elected assembly to deal with strategic and Londonwide issues.

The success or failure of this or any previous administration is totally irrelevant. You don't chop a tree down because you don't like the bird singing in it.

In view of the above, may I appeal to the Government to reconsider the possibility of a directly elected assembly to give London a voice of its own.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT MITCHELL,
Greater London Council,
Members' Lobby,
The County Hall, SE1.
July 6.

Benefit system

From Mr David Piachaud

Sir, One wonders at your leader, "Who Benefits?" (July 3): it is as wayward in its accuracy as it is woeful in its attitudes.

You report that the Policy Studies Institute "gives important evidence that for several major classes of beneficiaries the level of Supplementary Benefit is probably about right". This interpretation of their evidence is strange indeed. While PSI found that the most serious hardship occurred in families with children, even among pensioners they found that one-quarter of those on Supplementary Benefit did not have a complete set of basic clothing (one change of clothes and shoes and a warm coat.

Your attitudes are, in the 1980s, frankly irrelevant. You commend "an ethic of labour and masculine responsibility" which is equally insulting to two million jobless men and to those you wish to treat as feminine dependents. You commend "case work" as though poverty can be tackled by individual treatment.

You write that "the 'stigma' of receiving public doles" (elsewhere referred to as "handouts") is an "indigenous element in the British social make-up" without asking why this might be so or how this might be changed. Your conclusions arise "given the nature", as you put it, "of poor people". What an offensive generalisation.

Do you advocate higher benefits in the light of the hardship revealed by the studies or a simplified system in the light of the confusion recorded among both staff and claimants or a reduction in unemployment that has caused an explosion in the numbers dependent on Supplementary Benefit? No, no, and no.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID PIACHAUD,
London School of Economics and Political Science,
Department of Social Science and Administration,
Houghton Street, WC2.
July 4.

Weekends in prison

From Mr Alfred Dubs, MP for Battersea (Labour)

Sir, Last weekend saw the release from prison of 2,000 short-term prisoners under the new parole arrangements introduced by the Home Secretary. This is a long overdue and constructive reform which is to be widely welcomed.

I wish he could be similarly congratulated for his Green Paper on intermittent custody. In his recent letter (July 4) Mr David Jenkins, Director of the Howard League, has clearly indicated some of the arguments against weekend imprisonment.

The Home Secretary is faced with a high prison population, an increasing use of custody by the courts, a confused sentencing structure and a probation service under pressure from conflicting demands. The new proposals will simply add to these problems.

All the evidence is that the new measure will have scarcely any effect on the size of the prison population. It may even add to it, if those who fail to turn up are punished for this by full custody.

One of my main fears is that it will devalue the importance of the existing, severe non-custodial penalties. We already have more people in prison per head than almost any other Western European country. We also have the largest number of non-custodial sanctions.

We surely do not need another penalty to bridge the gap between community-based sanctions and full custody. We need more support for those penalties already in existence, community service orders and attendance at a probation centre, which make heavy demands on offenders' leisure time but which also keep them in their community, where eventually they have to learn to live a law-abiding life.

One of the main reasons for giving people custodial sentences is that they are a danger to the community. This cannot apply to weekend imprisonment. However, what the latter will do is to diminish the force that custody has as the most severe sanction. However one looks at it, this measure seems to make little sense.

Yours faithfully,
ALFRED DUBS,
House of Commons.
July 5.

Meeting demand for higher education

From Professor Myles Burnyeat and others

Sir, A levels are now over and many students with their parents are waiting to see whether they have got into university. Thousands of students will be disappointed by Government action.

According to the last annual report of the University Central Council on Admissions, 5,000 places were removed in the first two years of cuts up to 1983, and that at a time when applications rose by 8,000, leading to a total of 13,000 rejections. We are now approaching the end of a third year of cuts, and the number of rejections this year will be higher.

In our experience, students and parents are very seldom aware that this is why good students are being turned away. It is important that they should know, because yet further cuts are expected.

The cuts of 1981-4 and future cuts were both premised partly on expected falls in university applications which have not materialised. Indeed, according to a report in *The Times* of June 29, Government statisticians now agree that the expected fall will not occur within ten years. This ought at least to halt further cuts and from your report readers are likely to infer that it has done so. We seek the opportunity of correcting that impression.

At best, it will postpone those further cuts which were justified by reference to a fall. It does not remove the threat of annual cuts, possibly substantial, which we have been told to expect in a circular letter from the Chairman of the University Grants Committee, simply to make financial savings in the public sector.

It does not make provision either for the view of the Royal Statistical Society. Their working party estimates that there is likely to be an actual rise in the demand for higher education throughout the remainder of the century. This is on top of the rise that has already occurred. The universities have been asked how they would respond to a fall. It would be more appropriate to ask: how will the Government respond to these rises? For a start, it should openly renounce annual cuts.

Yours,
MYLES BURNYEAT,
(Robinson College, Cambridge).
MICHAEL DUMMETT,
(New College, Oxford).
RICHARD SORABJI,
King's College London,
Strand, WC2.
July 2.

Liverpool's finances

From Sir Trevor Jones

Sir, Local government finance is complex and in order to properly understand the state of Liverpool's finances it is essential that all facts are available. Since these facts are only now apparently emerging it is understandable that the militants, by keeping everyone in the dark, were able to mislead everyone, including Mr Kinnock, into believing that Liverpool faced bankruptcy.

The militants work to a simple strategy, first you create the problem and then campaign about it. On the financial facts emerging all their previous contentions have been destroyed.

The council's books have been balanced by utilising some £20m left to them by the prudent management of the previous Liberal administration. The scale of these funds was concealed from everyone and even publicly denied by their local leader.

The assistance given by Mr Patrick Jenkin was similar to what was allowed under urban programme on many previous occasions with the sole exception of the continued subsidy on demolished council dwellings; this one item contributes £1m this year. This also will apply to all local authorities. What is ironic is the fact that with sensible and efficient management of the council's services a single figure rate increase was achievable without any redundancies or cuts in services.

Instead we have had a great and expensive campaign of deception and even now when most of the facts can no longer be concealed. The militants attempt to disguise their massive climb down by hailing it as a victory.

If Mr Kinnock wishes to help the City of Liverpool he should expel the militants from his party as he did in Blackburn. Intelligent people here are not fooled by the militants' slogans repeated with mechanical regularity reminiscent of tactics which many thought were ended in 1945.

Yours sincerely
TREVOR JONES,
Leader of the Opposition,
Liverpool City Council,
The Town Hall,
Liverpool.
July 13.

Honouring Mr Mugabe

From Mr Michael Benskin

Sir, As a member of the academic staff of the University of Edinburgh, I wish to be publicly dissociated from its decision to confer, on July 20 the degree of *doctor honoris causa* on the present prime minister of Zimbabwe, Mr Robert Mugabe.

In assessing the value of his contribution to education in Zimbabwe, the sponsors have presumably not troubled to consult the people of Matabeleland. It is true that at the time the award was first proposed, the Ndebele people may have held no very strong views on the matter; times change, and their present plight simply cannot be ignored.

The honorary graduand's commitment to the ideal of a one-party state is of course nothing new, and his overturning of judicial process in the recent sabotage trial prompted no-one to observe that he was acting out of character.

It is a matter of the most profound personal disappointment that this university should so far have repudiated the democratic intellect as to endorse the architect of a regime under which its own existence could not be tolerated.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL BENSKIN,
University of Edinburgh,
Department of English Literature,
David Hume Tower,
George Square,
Edinburgh.
July 5.

Sneezing ignorance

From Mrs Muriel Ryle

Sir, When I was a child and experienced that vexing, unproductive urge towards a sneeze that never came (always the paroxysmal A-A-A but never the climactic TISHOO), my mother would tell me to look at the light or towards the sun, and instantly I would sneeze several times violently and satisfactorily.

It was something she had learnt from her mother, a piece of knowledge one grew up with – one of those mysterious old wives' remedies which never fail.

How gratifying to find (Science Report, July 3) that perhaps for hundreds of years Geordie folk lore has made us wiser than all those ignorant doctors.

Yours sincerely,
MURIEL RYLE,
22 Birchfield Gardens,
Low Fell,
Gateshead,
Tyne and Wear.
July 4.

Cot deaths research

From Mr Charles de Selincourt and others

Sir, We wish to correct the impression (report, July 5) that the public have been misled in donating to cot death research by reassuring your readers that the funds raised by the *Daily Mirror* cot death appeal are to be channelled through the Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths at the suggestion of the paediatric department of Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge.

The foundation, a charity dependent on voluntary contributions, is currently sponsoring 16 research projects costing £1.5m into the causes and prevention of cot deaths. The appeal funds will enable our scientific committee to review and sponsor further research applications from Addenbrooke's Hospital and elsewhere.

Conclusions about the extent to which the research of the surfactant group at Cambridge will prevent infants from dying as premature babies or as cot deaths await completion of the studies.

Yours faithfully,
CHARLES de SELINCOURT,
SYLVIA LIMERICK,
JOHN DAVIS,
The Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths
5th Floor,
4 Grosvenor Place, SW1
July 11.

Pricking the bubbles

From Mrs F. G. Bolton

Sir, We now face a water shortage, yet all over the country millions of housewives are wasting millions of gallons of water trying to remove from their sinks the last of the ever-multiplying bubbles of detergent foam.

It used to be possible to buy, quite easily in supermarkets, low-lather liquid detergent, but this facility now seems only to apply to powders designed for use in washing machines.

If the public could be weaned from the idea of "the more bubbles the better", and manufacturers would once again produce low-foam products, that would surely result in worthwhile savings of water with no lowering of domestic standards and with the added bonus of easing the load on sewage plants.

Yours faithfully,
JOYCE M. BOLTON,
47 Mill Street,
Kidlington,
Oxfordshire.
July 9.

Fines on British car importers

From Mr Michael Welsh, MEP for Lancashire Central (European Democrat (Conservative))

Sir, Reporting of the European Commission's decision to fine British Leyland £208,000 for seeking to protect the high-priced British car market by charging importers £100 for type approval certificates reveals a certain amount of confusion, not to say double standards (report, July 5).

British public opinion has been in the forefront of those calling for the abolition of non-tariff barriers to trade which impede the free flow of goods and prevent the effective operation of a common market. The national type approval system is a classic example of a non-tariff barrier and has been used by manufacturers to restrict parallel imports of their cars from other member states, where they are available at considerably lower prices.

In May last year the Government concluded an informal agreement with the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders designed to prevent such abuses, the basic principle as stated in a parliamentary answer being: "The purchaser's choice of supply should not be impeded."

Logically, therefore, we should be rejoicing at the Commission's evident determination to enforce the rules of competition and maintain the free flow of goods, as we have consistently urged them to do; the ideal solution, a single Community-type approval based on a single set of standards, remains elusive, primarily because of fears that a free European market might be exploited by Japanese and other third country manufacturers.

The larger issue of the effective partitioning of the UK market through an exclusive distribution system is much more difficult. Exclusive distribution means that manufacturers can confine sales of their products to a limited number of authorised dealers and this enables UK distributors to maintain prices up to 30 per cent higher than those in continental Europe.

Not only do high prices discriminate against British consumers, but they provide substantial windfall profits for foreign manufacturers, who supply more than half the cars sold in Britain.

If we are to have a competitive motor car industry we must exploit the strengths of the 270 million consumer base which the Common Market provides and avoid making strident demands for free trade in general, but special case treatment in the name of job preservation.

The consequence of such exemptions is inevitably to weaken our manufacturing base as a whole.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL WELSH,
Watercrook,
181 Town Lane,
Whittle-le-Woods,
Chorley, Lancashire.

Fire in York Minster

From Mr D. H. Craighead

Sir, If the fire in York Minster was indeed caused by lightning then it might not be inappropriate to comment on lightning protection and lightning conductors generally.

Lightning seeks the shortest route to earth through any suitable conducting material. Hence it stands to reason and, I understand, has indeed been confirmed by observation and experiment, that a lightning conductor will protect a space underneath it in the shape of a cone with sides at 45 degrees from the top of the lightning conductor.

I do not know what lightning conductors were used on York Minster, but on this criterion the vast majority of lightning conductors one sees on houses and larger buildings offer very meagre protection indeed and are of negligible practical use.

Yours fithfully,
D. H. CRAIGHEAD,
77 Clifton Hill, NW8.

Poor pickings

From Mr John Wrigley

Sir, There is a ready answer to the problems of Mrs Ruddle and Miss Jenkin (July 7) in getting used clothing to the needy. The Women's Royal Voluntary Service has established facilities for sorting, cleaning and distributing good quality used clothing to people identified by local authorities as in need or victims of local emergencies.

The address of the nearest WRVS office can be found in the telephone directory.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN WRIGLEY,
Women's Royal Voluntary Service,
Yeovil District Office,
19 Union Street,
Yeovil, Somerset.

Short-lived faith?

From Mr Norman Walker

Sir, I wonder how long the British people's "faith in the ethic of labour", which you commend in today's leader (July 3), will last under a Government so apparently resigned to massive unemployment

Yours faithfully,
NORMAN WALKER,
High Croft,
Mark Cross,
Crowborough, East Sussex.

A dog's life

From Mrs Joan Langrognat

Sir, The French have a far more pragmatic approach to the relative merits of doctors and vets. I have always heard them say that if a vet loses a cow for a farmer the farmer loses a lot of money, but if a doctor loses a grandfather for a family they stand to gain only an inheritance.

Yours faithfully,
JOAN LANGROGNAT,
6 Oxford Road,
Harrow, Middlesex.



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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 14: The Duke of Edinburgh left Heathrow Airport-London this morning in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight for Canada where His Royal Highness, Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Canadian Regiment, will present New Colours to the 2nd Battalion at Gagetown, New Brunswick.

Brigadier Clive Robertson and Major Wayne Thompson are in attendance.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, attended by Mrs Richard Carew Pole and Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Gibbs, arrived at Gatwick Airport-London this morning from the United States of America.

Her Royal Highness was received on arrival by Mr P. Bailey (Airport Director) and Sir Adam Thomson (Chairman, British Caledonian Airways).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Commandant-in-Chief, this afternoon visited the Women's Transport Service (F.A.N.Y.) during a training event at the Paddock, Kensington Gardens.

Her Royal Highness was received by the Honorary Colonel (Major-General Charles Page) and the Corps Commander (Mrs S. Parkinson).

Mrs Malcolm Innes was in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE
July 14: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this afternoon opened the Physiotherapy Department at the Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital, Welwyn.

Lady Angela Oswald and Sir Martin Gilliat were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 14: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon this morning opened the Lakeland Rose Show in the Park of Holker Hall, Cark in Cartmel and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Cumbria (Sir Charles Graham, Bt).

Her Royal Highness was present this evening at a Gala held at Holker Hall in aid of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, of which Her Royal Highness is President.

The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Lady Elizabeth Cavendish.

YORK HOUSE, ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 15: The Duchess of Kent today attended a Service of Thanksgiving at Worth Church, and later visited St Catherine's Hospice at Crawley, Surrey.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Miss Sarah Partridge.

A memorial service for Earl Howe will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Brompton, on Tuesday, July 24, at noon.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Lady Mary Burghley will be held at the Church of St Clement Danes, Strand, at noon, on Wednesday, July 18, 1984.

A service to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the abolition of slavery will be held in St Margaret's Church, Westminster, at noon tomorrow.

Birthdays today

Surgeon Rear-Admiral M. H. Adams, 76; Professor Anita Brookner, 46; Miss Lorraine Chase, 33; Miss Margaret Court, 42; Professor Sir Hugh Ford, 71; Sir Charles Graham, 65; Mr W. B. Howard, 58; Baroness Llewellyn-Davies of Hastoe, 69; Mr Edward Miller, 69; Dr L. E. R. Picken, 75; Miss Ginger Rogers, 73; General Bernard Rogers, 63; Mr T. G. Rosenthal, 49; Miss Barbara Stanwyck, 77; Sir Richard Stratton, 60; Lord Westbury, 62; Dr T. I. Williams, 63; Sir George Young, MP, 43; Mr Pinchas Zukerman, 36.

Dinners

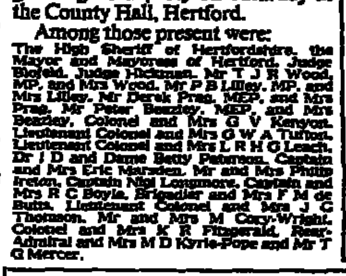
English-Speaking Union
The Sheriff of Oxford was the guest of honour at the opening dinner of the English-Speaking Union International Summer Conference held at Jesus College, Oxford on Saturday.

British Federation of University Women
The annual dinner of the British Federation of University Women was held at Kent University at Canterbury on Saturday. The President of BFUW and co-chairman of the Women's National Commission, Mrs Nancy Gutchcole, presided. The guests included: Lord and Lady Thomson of Monifieth, Mr Richard Davies, Judge Finlay and Mrs Finlay, Deputy Chairman of the Equal Opportunities Commission, Dr Fay Scott, Professor ... Vice-Chancellor of Kent University ... and Miss Barbara Harris.

Garden party

Mr F. J. Cogan
The Chairman of the Hertfordshire County Council and Mrs Cogan gave a garden party on Saturday at the County Hall, Hertford.

Among those present were:



The High Sheriff of Hertfordshire, the Mayor and Mayoress of Hertford ... Dr J D and Dame Betty Paterson, Captain and Mrs Eric Marsden, Mr and Mrs Philip Ireton, Captain Nigel Longmore, Captain and Mrs R C Boyle, Brigadier and Mrs F M de Butts, Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs J C Thomson, Mr and Mrs M Cory-Wright, Colonel and Mrs K R Fitzgerald, Rear-Admiral and Mrs M D Kyrle-Pope and Mr T G Mercer.

Service luncheon

8th Gurkha Rifles
Officers of the 8th Gurkha Rifles Regimental Association, with their ladies and guests held a luncheon at the Duke of York's HQ on Saturday. Lieutenant-Colonel Rostum Nanavatty, representing the regiment in India, and Mrs Nanavatty were the guests of honour.

Science report

Frozen assets

By Bill Johnstone
Technology Correspondent

Japanese and Canadian scientists under the auspices of a joint government initiative are preparing plans for a research and development programme to study advanced marine transport technology which would simplify large-scale carriage of oil from the Arctic Circle.

The resource-poor Japanese are particularly keen in developing super-large ice-breaking oil tankers for high-volume oil transportation. During the research scheme, private Japanese companies will be conducting their experiments along the Canadian coast of the Arctic Sea.

The two countries have already conducted preliminary experiments on "transportation in frozen seas" and are presently compiling the results of those studies and a timetable for their future efforts.

The Arctic Marine Transportation project is one of 32 major cooperative ventures which are being conducted jointly by Japanese-Canadian teams. The research projects also include pest management, analysis of poisonous gas from fires, research space rockets, remote-sensing satellites and ionospheric telemetry. They have stemmed from the Japan-Canada Science and Technology Consultation, created 12 years ago.

Japan's heavy dependence on insecticides could make that joint research project as important as the oil transportation venture. There are recurring problems resulting from those pests with a high degree of resistance to the insecticides in use.

However, the Japanese economy is heavily dependent on imported energy, which gives the Arctic Circle project a stature greater than any of the others in the joint research scheme.

It is estimated that 30 per cent of the world's undiscovered oil is in the Arctic region. Minerals and natural gas are also expected to abound in the area. For that reason the Arctic Circle has attracted the attention of Canada, the United States and the Soviet Union, which border the Arctic Sea. Canada and the United States have been particularly active in recent years in drilling for undersea oil fields.

The Japanese scientists and engineers have therefore been eager to gain Arctic experience in partnership with one of the countries most knowledgeable in this technology. Hence the activity with Canada and their ambition to solve their energy problem in the icy wastelands of the Arctic.

Look, Japan, June 10, 1984.

Clifford Longley

Fire raising doubts at the Minster

The police in York need the assistance of a Dorothy Sayers or Conan Doyle if they are to pin the Minster fire onto the principal suspect. They already have inside information as to motive and opportunity, they have eye-witnesses to the alleged act of divine arson, and they have some knowledge of the suspect's character, including "form". The crucial remaining question, as any CID man will recognize, is "m.o."

Modus operandi is usually confined to the preparation for and commission of the criminal act, perhaps also some familiar pattern as to the "get-away". Consequences are normally outside the limits of m.o., being unknown to the criminal mind at the time. The suspect in this case, however, is presumed to have full knowledge of all consequences: what would be said in public houses, what *The Sun* would say, what "Thoughts for the Day" would turn up on Radio Four, even how this article will end before it is written.

Thus the consequences are central to the detection of the crime: it can be presumed to have been committed because of the consequences. Some may yet be 20 years ahead, and the police files may have to be kept open a long time. In terms of immediate consequences, however, things do begin to look bad for the suspect. The fire has sown an aweful lot of nagging doubts in various doubting quarters, namely those who were so certain a week ago that the Virgin Birth and the Empty Tomb were myths.

In popular semi-superstitious religiosity, on the other hand, there is a fascinated satisfaction with the notion that the Church of England has had its comeuppance, and that the God of the common people has avenged himself. That must have improved his credibility-rating, as well. Juries being what they are, composed of common people, the police might begin to feel they have a reasonable chance of a conviction, on circumstantial evidence alone.

The better class of detective, like the better class of crime novelist, would want to look at the issue of *modus operandi* more closely, to explore the psychology behind the alleged actions and see if they could be interpreted symbolically.

The place to look for clues would not, therefore, be the charred timbers from the roof of York Minster's south transept, but in the hearts of men. And there they would find a balance of forces of a mental kind, an internal tension between scepticism and credulity.

It is not an adequate model to divide either churchmen or ordinary people into two neat categories, those for whom virgin births and lightning strikes are well within what they would expect of God, and those whose deity never operates that way because of the fundamental nature of the God-world relationship.

Most people have both ideas inside them, pulling both ways.

It seems that Jesus in particular knew this, and what is more, did not choose to settle the matter on one side or the other. The tension between these two tendencies, neither of which ought to be thought of as faithless, is necessary and creative.

Jesus did not settle it: in various ways he unsettled it. Unsettling easy assumptions of how God works is also the characteristic mark of all other great religious teachers. And it is highly significant in the case of the York Minster fire, that it has also unsettled easy assumptions of how God works.

A lightning bolt is within the laws of nature: in this case it is the law of probability which is the only one apparantly disturbed. There are no schoolboy photographs of angels with flaming brands on the roof of the minster last Sunday night; but on the other hand it was not Lincoln cathedral's roof which caught fire, nor was it three weeks ago or a month hence. It was York, and it was then. Enough to unsettle; not enough to prove anything.

The new Bishop of Durham, the Right Rev David Jenkins, recently told a story of his approach to miracles. When he was a boy, a circus came to town, and he needed half a crown to get in. So he prayed, and yet no shiny coin materialized mysteriously in his pocket. He had abandoned God as a bad job; until his father telephoned and asked his mother to give the young David half a crown from her purse. Again, it proves nothing. But it gave young Jenkins a settled assumption that this was the way God works, not some other way, and not therefore through virgin births and empty tombs.

In the best detective stories, however, and in real life too, m.o. is never more than a provisional picture in the detective's mind, altered as new evidence accumulates. Policemen who jump too quickly to conclusions do not get their man, as Sherlock Holmes delighted in pointing out.

Sir Harry Secombe, who has been re-elected President of the British Diabetic Association.

Appointments in the Forces

Royal Navy

CAPTAINS: R G Balmer, to be cdr in cmd HMS ... July 31 ... (Surgeon engineering) to SNOFI, Aug 21.

COMMANDERS: J W Beatty ... to SWIFTSURE ... to HMS COMEDEAN ... to Warrior ... CHAPLAINS ... RETIREMENTS COMMANDERS: D Boase, Sept 11.

The Army

BRIGADIERS: W G E Turner, to HQ POW Div as Comd, July 18; A L G Haynes, to RA Rangers Helsinki as Comd, July 23.

COLONELS: P J Bradley, to HQ SE Dist as Comd Fin, July 23.

LIEUTENANT COLONELS: ... Darby ... D C Parr ... R J Pook ... GSO1 ... Sanderson ... 17.

Retirements
Brig R A B ... Brig K C D ... J R Gibson ...

Royal Air Force

GROUP CAPTAINS (WITH ACTING RANK OF AIR COMMODORE) ... MOD as Director of Public Relations (RAF), July 20; M ... Air Officer Commanding Military Traffic Operations, July 16.

GROUP CAPTAINS: ... (AFD) as D ... Owens to HQ 11 Group ... 16.

WING COMMANDERS (WITH ACTING RANK OF GROUP CAPTAIN): ... HQ P&S(RAF) ... 16: V W S ... President, Air Board, July 16.

WING COMMANDERS: ... AAFCE at ... to HQ RAF ... D Cairns to ... July 16: B ... SMO(RAF) ... MOD ... Supply, July ... Hodington ...

SQUADRON LEADERS (WITH ACTING RANK OF WING COMMANDER): G F Colwell to MOD (AFD) as NATO Stan, July 20; R B A Moore to P6(RAF), MOD (AFD), July 9; D Holcroft, to RAF Shawbury as OC Eng Wg, July 16; C P I Bull, Senior Matron, PM RAF Hospital Halton, July 19.

ROYAL MARINES

Col R H B Learoyd, to HQ TRSF RM as COS, dec 7; Col N F Vaux DSO, to Royal College of Defence Studies, Jan 8.85; Lt Col I M Walden MBE, to HQ TRSF RM as chief GS, May 17.85; Lt Col J P Clough, to CTCRM as D Comdt, Jan 18.85; Lt Col R A Hooper, to 40 Cdo RM as CO, June 14.85; Lt Col M F Murray, to Retired List, July 13.85; Maj T K Courtenay, to BMATT Zimbabwe, Mar 15.85; Maj M V Jenkins, to CTCRM as CTO, Oct 16; Maj D L Drysdale, to CINCNAVHOME, Sept 4; Maj J D L Holdaway, to HQ TRSF RM as SO2 G3 Trg/Systems, Sept 24; Maj M L A Macleod, to Cdo Log Regt RM as 2IC, Oct 10; Maj C J E McDowall, to COMAW as SO1 G3, Sept 21; Maj D G Sayers, to DRORM AS corps Drafting Officer, Aug 31; Maj A M Mason MBE, to HQ TRSF RM as SO1 G3 (Ops/Plans), Oct 26.

Marriages

Mr R. M. Tippet and Miss E. A. Barnett
The marriage took place on Saturday at St Margaret's, Westminster, of Mr Richard Morton Tippet, son of Mr Alfred Morton Tippet, of Adelaide, Australia, and the late Mrs Tippet, and Miss Elizabeth Eirene Aird Barnett, daughter of the late Mr A. A. C. Barnett and Viscountess Leathers, of Park House, Chiddingfold, Surrey. The Rev John Nicholls officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by Viscount Leathers and Mr Arthur W. Barnett, was attended by Luke Leathers, Claire Marshall, Miss Catherine Barnett and Miss Francesca Barnett. Mr Gareth Clark was best man.

A reception was held at the House of Lords and the honeymoon will be spent on safari in Botswana.

Mr S. R. Stanley and Miss F. A. Fremantle
The marriage took place on Saturday at St Swithun's, Swanbourne of Mr Shaun Richard Stanley, third son of Mr and the Hon Mrs John Stanley, of Granary House, Holly Hill, Hampstead, London, and Miss Fanny Ann Fremantle, younger daughter of Commander the Hon John and Mrs Fremantle, of Swanbourne, near Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire. The Bishop of Buckingham and the Rev Stuart Wilmot officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Andrew Barker, Richard Berry, Victoria Connolly, Sophie and Catherine Michel and Laurie Charlton. Mr James Shuttleworth was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent in Turkey.

Mr S. J. Hay and Dr C. M. Proby
The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of All Saints, Elton, Peterborough, of Mr Stephen Hay, son of Major John Hay of Cheltenham, and Mrs Alan Izod, of Cheltenham, and Dr Charlotte Proby, daughter of Sir Peter Proby, Bt, and Lady Proby of Elton. The Rev Peter Pooley and Monsignor George A. Hay officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Alexandra and Alice Proby, Elizabeth Mills, Mrs Christopher Dobbs, twin sister of the bride, and Miss Philippa Oldham. Mr William Wells was best man.

A reception was held at Elton Hall and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr C. Wereko-Brobby and Miss D. H. Powell
The marriage took place on Saturday at Chelsea Register Office of Mr Charles Yves Wereko-Brobby, younger son of Dr Thomas Wereko-Brobby and Mrs Christina Armar, of Ghana, and Miss Dido Harriet Powell, daughter of Sir Philip Powell, CH, and Lady Powell.

A reception was held at the Royal Institute of British Architects and the honeymoon will be spent in Malaysia and Singapore.

Mr P. G. W. Hands and Miss F. Lamare
The marriage took place on Friday, July 13, at Chelsea Old Town Hall, London between Mr Philip G. W. Hands, son of Mr and Mrs Leonard E. Hands, of Cannes, France, and Miss Florence Lamare, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jacques Lamare, of Paris, France.

Mr C. W. Richmond-Watson and Miss P. J. Cadbury
The marriage took place on Saturday, July 14, at St Andrew's Church, Ombersley, between Mr Colin Woodrow Richmond-Watson, youngest son of Mr and Mrs R. N. Richmond-Watson, of Wakefield Lodge, Northamptonshire, and Miss Penelope Jayne Cadbury, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Robin Cadbury, of Doverdale Manor, Worcestershire. The Right Rev Robin Woods and Canon Alan Doyle officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Arabella, Catherine and Charles MacNicol, Daniel and William Richmond-Watson and Henrietta Jackson-Stops. Mr Quentin Jackson-Stops was best man.

A reception was held at Doverdale Manor and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr P. Baxter and Dr G. A. Bayraktar
The marriage took place on Monday, July 2, between Mr Peter Baxter and Dr Gül Ayse Bayraktar.

Mr M. P. Skinner and Miss J. Bramah
The marriage took place on Saturday, July 14, in the Chapel of The Queen's College, Oxford, of Mr Michael Skinner, younger son of Mr and Mrs A. T. Skinner, of Chalfont St Peter, Buckinghamshire, and Miss Julie Bramah, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. C. Bramah, of Bolton. A reception was held in St Hilda's College.

Mr T. J. Akroyd and Miss N. Stokes
The marriage took place on Saturday at Holy Trinity, Brompton, between Mr James Akroyd, son of Mr and Mrs T. N. Akroyd, of Staplecross and Sidcup, and Miss Nora Stokes, daughter of the late Mr and Mrs G. C. Stokes, of Singapore. The Rev Sandy Millar officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by Dr Mark Littlewood, was attended by Miss Amanda Rogers. Mr Giles Udy was best man.

A reception was held at the Basil Street Hotel and the honeymoon is being spent in the Channel Islands.

Forthcoming marriages

The Hon Robin Grimston and Miss E. M. Shirley
The engagement is announced between Robert John Sylvester, elder son of Lord and Lady Grimston of Westbury, The Old Rectory, Westwell, Burford, Oxfordshire, and Emily Margaret, daughter of Major and Mrs John Shirley, Ormly Hall, Ramsey, Isle of Man.

Mr P. C. A. Mansel Lewis and Miss C. M. Houston
The engagement is announced between Patrick, son of Mr David and Lady Mary Mansel Lewis, of Stradey Castle, Llanelli, Dyfed, and Claire, daughter of Mr and the Hon Mrs William Houston, of the Little House, Datchworth, Hertfordshire.

Mr A. R. Erskine-Hill and Miss S. A. S. Clarke
The engagement is announced between Roger, elder son of Sir Robert and Lady Erskine-Hill, of Quothquhan Lodge, Biggar, Lanarkshire, and Sarah, elder daughter of the late Dr R. J. Sydenham Clarke and of Mrs Charles Clarke, of Siddington Manor, Cirencester, Gloucestershire.

Dr I. Finkel and Miss J. Oates
The engagement is announced between Irving, elder son of the late Mr Wallace Finkel and of Mrs Finkel, of Green Lanes, Palmers Green, London, and Jenny, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David Oates, of Barton, Cambridge.

Mr A. J. Hope and Miss S. B. Finlow
The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs J. M. Hope, of Killinghall, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. R. Finlow, of Gilling, York, North Yorkshire.

Mr M. Jarrett and Miss C. Sankey
The engagement is announced between Malcolm, only son of the late Mr D. E. Jarrett and of Mrs E. M. Jarrett, of Hall Green, Birmingham, and Caroline, elder daughter of Mr John Sankey, CMG, and Mrs Sankey, of Highgate, London, and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

Dr S. J. Keay and Miss N. Iuzani
The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Mr and Mrs A. D. Keay, of Chelsea, London, and Nina, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. P. Iuzani, of Chingford, Essex.

Mr G. T. Martin and Miss I. E. Wright
The engagement is announced between Geoffrey Thomas, son of Mr and Mrs P. J. Martin, of River, Kent, and Isobel Eileen, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian Wright, of Lock Island, Marlow, Buckinghamshire.

Mr H. J. B. Martin and Miss W. T. Mulder
The engagement is announced between Hector, only son of Mr and Mrs Hector F. Martin, of Mansefield, Maggieknockater by Craigellachie, Banffshire, and Wendy Titia, only daughter of the late Hans Jacob Mulder and of Mrs Mulder, of Thorbeckelaan 1, 2811CC, Reeuwijk, The Netherlands.

Mr T. N. M. Osborne and Miss V. E. de C. Cussans
The engagement is announced between Timothy, only son of Dr and Mrs P. F. Osborne, of Swingfield, Kent, and Victoria, daughter of Mr A. A. de C. Cussans, of Salisbury, Wiltshire, and of Mrs C. A. Cussans, of Connecticut, United States, and London.

Mr P. A. Owen and Miss D. A. Lewin
The engagement is announced between Philip Anthony, son of the late Mr Alec Owen and Mrs Katherine Owen, of West Mersea, Essex, and Deborah Anne, daughter of Mr Harry Lewin and Mrs Valmai Grant, of Auckland, New Zealand.

Mr C. E. L. Philipps and Miss F. Land
The engagement is announced between Charles Edward Lawrence, eldest son of Mr Peter Philipps, of Parsonage Farm, Ugley, Essex, and Mrs Suzannah Philipps, of 3 Scarsdale Studios, London, W8, and Fiona, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Frank Land, of Vine Cottage, Boxted, Colchester, Essex.

Mr R. C. Pennefather and Mrs D. R. Ledward
The engagement is announced and the marriage will shortly take place between Roland Pennefather, of Bakers Gate, Pirbright, Surrey, and Elizabeth, widow of Denis R. Ledward, of 20 Warwick Square, London, SW1.

Flight-Lieutenant P. A. Round, RAF and Miss I. K. Brown
The engagement is announced between Peter Adrian, only son of Mr and Mrs C. D. Round, of Horsforth, Leeds, and Ingrid Karen, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. H. Brown, of Longforgan, Perthshire.

Mr A. G. Tanner and Dr W. J. G. Woyka
The engagement is announced between Adrian, younger son of the late Norman Cecil Tanner and Dr E. W. Tanner, of Fulham, London, and Jane, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs William F. Woyka, of Kingsworthy, Winchester.

Parliament this week

Commons. Today (2.30): Debate on Gower report on review of investor protection in financial services sector. Motion on appointment of bishops measure.
Tomorrow (2.30): Estimates on diplomatic representation in Commonwealth Caribbean and aid to Grenada and on Property Services Agency.
Wednesday (2.30): Motion on rate support grant supplementary reports for England and Wales. Motion on dairy produce quotas.
Thursday (2.30): Motions on social security orders.
Friday (9.30): Motions on members' car mileage and secretarial and research allowances.

Select committees: Tomorrow: Education, science and arts. Subject: Scrutiny Session. Witness: Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science (10.30).
Parliamentary commissioner for administration. Subject: The jurisdiction and powers of the Commission for Local Administration. Witnesses: Scottish Commissioner for Local Administration; National Consumer Council (5).
Wednesday: Scottish affairs. Subject: Highlands and Islands Development Board. Witnesses: National Farmers Union (Scotland); Scottish Landowners' Federation (10.30).
Trade and Industry. Subject: British Shipbuilders. Witness: British Shipbuilders (10.30).
Home Affairs. Subject: Compensation and support for victims of crime. Witness: Mr Leon Brittan, Home Secretary (4.15).
Social Services. Subject: Community care, with special reference to adult mentally ill and mentally handicapped people. Witnesses: British Association of Social Workers; Social Care Association; Community Mental Handicap Nurses Association (4.15).
Foreign Affairs. Witness: Sir Geoffrey Howe, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs (5).
Thursday: Welsh Affairs. Subject and witness: Welsh Arts Council (10.30).

Lords. Today (2.30): Local Government (Interim Provisions) Bill, report.
Tomorrow (2.30): Parliamentary Pensions etc Bill, second reading. Health and Social Security Bill, third reading. Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1978 (Continuance) Order.
Wednesday (2.30): Trade Union Bill, third reading. Cable and Broadcasting Bill, Commons amendments. Housing Defects Bill, committee, second day.
Thursday (3): Ordnance Factories and Military Services Bill, committee.
Friday (11): Dairy Produce Quotas Regulations. Social Security Orders.
Select committees. Wednesday. EEC subcommittee C (Education, Employment and Social Affairs). Evidence from Department of Employment on parental leave (11).
Thursday. EEC subcommittee F (Energy, Transport, Technology and Research). Evidence from General Electric on Esprit (11).

Progress of legislation

Commons. Jul 9: Cable and Broadcasting Bill passed the report stage and read the third time. Jul 10: Access to Personal Files Bill read a first time. Jul 11: Lead in Paint Bill read a first time. Finance Bill passed the report stage. Jul 12: Finance Bill read the third time by 331 votes to 168.

Lords. Jul 9: Police and Criminal Evidence Bill further considered in committee and adjourned. Jul 10: Health and Social Security Bill completed the report stage. Jul 11: Police and Criminal Evidence Bill completed the committee stage. Jul 12: London Transport Bill read a second time. Bournemouth Borough Council Bill read the third time and passed. Trade Union Bill passed the report stage. The following Acts received Royal Assent: Juries (Disqualification); Data Protection; Mental Health (Scotland); Child Abduction; Cycle Tracks; Video Recordings; Animal Health and Welfare; Agricultural Holdings; Matrimonial and Family Proceedings; Swavency byeways; Charing Cross and Westminster Medical School; Selby Bridge; Anglican Water Authority (King's Lynn Tidal Defences); Cardiff City Council.

OBITUARY

MISS GWYNNE WHITBY
Noted stage actress

Miss Gwynne Whitby, who died on July 11, aged 81, was for half a century an actress of quiet and unflawed distinction. Even though she had done very little classical work since the 1930s, older people may think of her now as a Shakespearean because of her quality (in well over a dozen plays) at the Old Vic during the mid-1920s and at Stratford-upon-Avon in 1934-35.

Through life she had an admired grace and often a quick ripple of comedy. An actress who had the fortune to be trained partly by her famous actor-father (as well as at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art) was naturally prepared for most things. Especially, she loved Stratford-upon-Avon where her career practically began and ended, and where for some time she lived.

She was born near the Shakespeare country, in Leamington, on July 8, 1903, daughter of the fine comedian Arthur Whitby, and his actress-wife Cissie (Saunmarez), both loyal members of Frank Benson's company.

Though she was in a London pageant, *Shakespeare's Dream*, when she was eight, she made her true debut at Stratford in 1916 as a *Midsummer Night's Dream* fairy and Young Marcius in *Coriolanus* with the Bensonians. Later she was engaged in the West End for six years – including 12 months in *Chu Chin Chow*; various parts with Matheson Lang; and, elsewhere, in *The Lilies of the Field* and *The Likes of Her*.

Then, after a Liverpool Playhouse season, it was in the autumn of 1926, at the Old Vic, that she found at length the Shakespearean sequence to which her heredity entitled her: for example, Miranda, Olivia, Titania, Princess Katherine *(Henry V)*, and especially Desdemona (to the Othello of Baliol Holloway) a performance of which James Agate was to write: "She was extraordinarily simple and unaffected, and consequently succeeded in being affecting."

Afterwards, except for an intensive Australian tour with Irene Vanbrugh and Dion Boucicault, her next important chance came during two years at Stratford (1934-35), at first directed by Bridges-Adams, later by Iden Payne. There, besides much else, she was a buoyant Rosalind, a gently astonished Miranda, and – here in the entirely unorthodox Komisarjevsky production – a crinolined Mistress Ford in *The Merry Wives*.

In London, at Wyndham's, she appeared over nearly four years in the popular comedy *Quiet Week-End* acting Marcia (with an interval) until the autumn of 1944. She was Princess Caroline of Brunswick in *The Gay Pavilion* (Piccadilly 1945).

Among her other parts, sometimes for sustained runs, were Laura in *Women of Twilight* (1951) – also in New York – Mrs Purves in *For Better, For Worse* (18 London months, 1952-53), and Mrs Edgar in William Douglas Home's *The Reluctant Debutante* (1955-56).

She acted Sister Isabel (1961) in Hugh Ross Williamson's *Teresa of Avila*, with Sybil Thorndike; and Mrs Strang in *Conduct Unbecoming* (1969).

At the last, she had small parts with the RSC in the New York presentation of *Richard II* and (1974) in *Uncle Vanya* at The Other Place, Stratford-upon-Avon.

Often on radio and television, she was in several films since the *Quiet Week-end* of 1945.

Her marriage to the actor Hugh Williams, was dissolved.

PADMA SHRI J. A. K. MARTYN

Padma Shri J A K Martyn, OBE, who died suddenly on a holiday in Vienna at the age of 80 was Headmaster of the famous Doon School in India.

In 1938 *The Times* described the Doon School as the "Eton of India", but although the comparison is apt up to a point, it was never an immitation of an English public school, but a distinctive institution, a school that educated Indians to be cosmopolitan yet proud to be Indian.

Born on August 15, 1903 at Sedbergh where his father was a house-master, he was educated at Durham and St John's College, Cambridge where he took a double first in history. He was a master at Harrow from 1924 to 1934.

In 1935 he went out to India with Arthur Foot from Eton to start the Doon School where he was a housemaster from 1935 to 1947 and Headmaster from 1948 until his retirement in 1966. His unassuming friendliness and the way he was able to integrate into Indian society without loosing his own cultural identity were qualities for which he will always be remembered.

A lifelong friend and admirer of Kurt Hahn and his educational ideas, he incorporated many of Hahn's reforms into the Doon School. A keen explorer and mountaineer, John Martyn made a first ascent of Munkial, but his greatest contribution to mountaineering was the introduction of young Indians to mountaineering as a hobby.

From 1956 to 1978 he was unofficial representative of the High Commission for Dehra Dun District and helped many British Residents with their repatriation problems.

He was the first chairman of the Dehra Dun Cheshire Home and afterwards for 20 years Managing Trustee of the Cheshire Homes, India.

He was appointed OBE in 1958 and India honoured him with an equivalent distinction, the "Padma Shri" earlier this year. In 1962 he was received into the Roman Catholic Church.

John Martyn is survived by his wife.

MR ERNEST TIDYMAN

Ernest Tidyman, the American screenwriter and novelist who created the Shaft series of films and books has died in London at the age of 56.

Tidyman left school at 14 and did various jobs: messenger, freight car loader, dairy worker and pipe maker before going into journalism as a police reporter on the *Cleveland News*. For the next 25 years his career was as a journalist, mainly in crime, and saw him working on newspapers from Ohio to Texas and back again.

This experience gave him the backgrounds for the violent activities of his black private investigator, Shaft, but his first successful filmscript was in fact that of *The French Connection* based on the crime thriller novel by Robin Moore, which won five Oscars in 1971 including that for best screenplay for Tidyman.

The first of the Shaft novels appeared in the same year and was turned into a film by MGM with Tidyman writing the screenplay. The novel was followed by a number of sequels which were scripted as films by their author.

Among his other screenplays were *Forfeit* from the novel by Dick Francis, and *High Plains Drifter* which starred Clint Eastwood.

MR C. J. Mc QUILLAN

Mr Cecil John McQuillan, who died in Greenwich, Connecticut, on July 8 at the age of 85, was a British born radio engineer who was involved in the first Transatlantic radio conversation and thereafter supervised the setting up of many radio stations here and abroad, notably in Australia.

McQuillan had graduated in electrical engineering from London University and then went to work for Standard Telephone and Cable in the United States. As such he was one of a number of radio engineers who participated in the first Transatlantic radio conversation which took place between Rugby and Stony Point, Long Island in 1923.

He subsequently designed radio equipment for STC in this country, France, Hungary and Czechoslovakia and in 1930 went to Australia where he was responsible for establishing the country's national radio system. This work involved him in designing the equipment, supervising its construction, sometimes deep in the bush, and training personnel.

During the Second World War he designed radio equipment for the US forces in the Pacific. After the war he settled in the United States working for ITT of which STC had become a part, and became a US citizen.

SIR JOHN RANDALL

Richard G. Coase writes:

Whilst not wishing to detract from Sir John Randall's work in molecular biology, I think that you slightly understated his work on the cavity magnetron.

His discovery with Dr H. A. H. Boot of the cavity magnetron in February 1940 was a scientific breakthrough in the development of radar which gave the Allies a great advantage in the electronics war.

As you rightly state, centimetric radar, made possible by the cavity magnetron, was of great value in the war against the U-boats; but also, rather than against night bombers as stated, the same radar was a useful navigation and bombing aid for our night bombers over Germany. Developed in this case as H2S – a Plan Position Indicator, it gave the aircrews a tolerable image of the ground over which they were flying. After the war this was further developed to enable early aerial mapping to take place.

As an epilogue, Sir John Randall's magnetron is used by many people every day – there is one present in every microwave oven.

Reginald Stewart, the Scottish born pianist and conductor who died in Montecito, California on July 8 at the age of 84 was director of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra from 1941 to 1952. Stewart who began his musical career as a boy soprano in St Mary's Cathedral, Edunburgh, was also director of the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore from 1941 to 1958.

Colonel Samuel Sidney Smith, OBE, who died on July 11 at the age of 86, was appointed Deputy Lieutenant of Bedfordshire in 1955.

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ANOTHER POLITICAL BANANA SKIN?

This week, Patrick Jenkin, the Government's accident-prone Environment Secretary, will try yet again to get next year's metropolitan county council elections scrapped.

Having met with resounding opposition just eighteen days ago, when the House of Lords amended his abolition Paving Bill by voting to retain elections, Mr. Jenkin's Bill is back today, with their Lordships being offered a curious deal by a Government desperate to win them over, and even more desperate to avoid a huge defeat at the polls next May.

In exchange for peers' support to cancel elections, Mr. Jenkin is offering to extend the life of the threatened councils, until they are supposedly abolished by a parliamentary bill which doesn't yet exist.

But, denying legitimate elections to some eight million metropolitan county voters is precisely what their Lordships voted against, fearful of the serious constitutional implications.

And it's certainly not what those eight million voters want. A reflection of their dissatisfaction was seen only last week, in a MORI Poll conducted throughout the six metropolitan counties. A mere 16% of voters went along with the Government's proposals, whilst 60% said the elections should take place.

NO, NO, NO, NO, YES.

Surely a 4:1 vote of no confidence cannot be ignored. Not least given the fact that Mrs. Thatcher was a signatory to the recent international Declaration of Democratic Values, which defends the rights of citizens everywhere to participate in "a system of democracy which ensures genuine choice in elections freely held."

But of course, saying one thing and doing another is nothing new to this Government.

In its manifesto, acknowledging the supremacy of parliament, the Conservative Party stresses the need for a "strong second chamber" which it says is "a vital safeguard for democracy." Yet, in its handling of the abolition issue, as with many others, the Government seems to regard the House of Lords as the home of the rubber stamp.

A BAD BILL PAVING THE WAY FOR A WORSE BILL.

The Government's abolition proposals and its handling of the total issue have been acknowledged as a complete fiasco, even by many leading conservatives.

But, oblivious to all warnings, the Government insists on bulldozing its Paving Bill through, before the main Abolition Bill has even been drafted. It is obsessed with achieving its arbitrary, and unexplained abolition deadline of April 1986.

Ignoring the fact that previous local government reorganisations have been achieved only after detailed consideration.

Issuing totally conflicting statements about the aims and benefits of abolition.

And denying the logical solution of a full and independent inquiry into the structure and financing of local government.

Yet such an inquiry is all that the metropolitan county councils have campaigned for.

A reasonable enough request to all but the Government, whose overt response has been to ignore our powerful and reasoned arguments, but who in reality want to silence us.

A desire stemming from the Government's inability to disprove our case, or produce any evidence to justify its own botched proposals.

Come what may the Government is determined to scrap the local elections it fears so much. Even though it outrages the electorate.

And even though it runs contrary to the will of the Lords.

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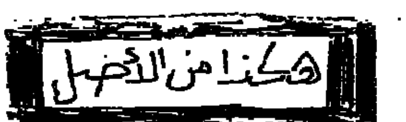
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283.1m	Rothmans 'B'	130	–7	8.6	6.6	2.9

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THE TIMES
FINANCE AND INDUSTRY
Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

What will the pound do to our prices?

Sir Geoffrey Howe must be contemplating his parting present from the Treasury with some satisfaction. On moving next door to the Foreign Office, Mrs Thatcher's first Chancellor received a framed graph on the monetary aggregates – all coming neatly home to target in 1983.

A picture worth framing, because this was the only year in which the Thatcher Government hit all its monetary targets, which are now giving trouble to Mr Nigel Lawson. Of course, since the early days of embarrassing failure with a single target (remember 1980-81, when the target was 7-11 per cent and sterling M3 rose 19.4 per cent?) Chancellors have armoured themselves with a range of targets, thus increasing their chances of scoring somewhere but likewise making a perfect score more difficult. This is not an easy monetary policy either to pursue or to promulgate, and many of Mr Lawson's difficulties this past fortnight stem from the confusion.

Mr Lawson's public position has been that interest rates are a matter for the markets; but he does, after all, still have a set of money targets, and directly or indirectly interest rates are his most visible instrument for keeping each aggregate trained on the bull's eye. Can interest rates serve two masters? Only when the markets and Mr Lawson agree, and for the most month they have been rather painfully at odds.

Mr Lawson keeps telling us that the domestic monetary situation does not warrant today's high level of interest rates. His argument that monetary growth is bound to slow down this the autumn is plausible and probably correct. What's more, the narrowest money measure, Mo, is still easily on target. But with the venerable sterling M3 rising at an annual rate of 14¾ per cent, and wider measures growing still faster, there were bound to be dissenting voices; and with the miners and dockers speading international gloom, enough pessimists to pass the Chancellor's troubles to the most sensitive indicator of all – the exchange rate.

The position of sterling in the firmament monetary policy has changed critically. The Government has refrained from joining the European Monetary System, or intervening unilaterally to fix the rate. Officially, all that has happened is that the exchange rate has been upgraded to the status of a source of subsidiary financial information – an extra check on the monetary indicators. But since the Government's veil of indifference to sterling was torn off in 1980, its monetary policy has become slightly more like the German and less like the American – and thereby more suitable to a medium-sized, open European economy.

Only last week, the Government's Chief Economic Adviser – reviewing his formidable forecasting experience at the Treasury – pointed out to a symposium at the London Business School the key influence of the exchange rate on the decline in inflation in the early 1980s. Far more than expected, it was the high sterling rate that forced manufacturers to hold down prices and contain costs, while the money numbers moved erratically and wages proved slow to adjust.

The dangerous corollary is that a falling exchange rate would have a similarly important impact on inflation. But here the evidence has been quite different, The Treasury's model rule of thumb is that a 10 per cent fall in the exchange rate adds about 2 per cent to prices about a year later, with more to follow. A sharp fall in the exchange rate produces an abvious effect, which is why the Chancellor had to shove the blocks under sterling last week (and would have done better to act earlier). If one applies the rule, far too crudely, by last week sterling had fallen enough to push the Treasury forecast for next spring up from 4 per cent to about 5½ per cent (with independent forecasters prophesying worse). Anything more would have rather plainly brought the Government's counter-inflation progress to a halt.

But neither Sir Geoffrey nor Mr Lawson have shown themselves averse to clawing back some competitiveness by a gentle sterling decline from the giddy days of 1980. The remarkable aspect of this decline is that it seems to have been achieved at no inflatonary cost.

Since its peak in 1980, sterling has fallen more than 45 per cent against the dollar. Yet calculations by the Organization for Economic Corporation and Development (OECD) suggest Britain's import prices rose not at all, up to the end of 1983, relative to domestic prices – if anything they actually rose less.

There could, of course, be a nasty explanation for this: higher inflation in Britain, no that there was no fall in the "real" exchange rate; but OECD calculations also suggest the real exchange rate between Britain and America fell 35 per cent over the same period. So other explanations are needed. One is that other currencies were falling against the dollar too, so Britain's trade-weighted exchange rate was moving much less. Even so, the International Monetary Fund's "real trade-weighted" exchange rate index suggests a decline of 19 per cent between the beginning of 1981 and the end of 1983.

But both these "real" indices quoted so far depend on movements in unit wage costs in different countries. This is a convenient measure of competitiveness, but is does not tell you what is happening to prices: manufacturers possessed of a depreciating currency may be jacking up their profit margins. (No bad thing, of course, if as in Britain these have been pared too thin – but it does mean higher prices) A useful spot-check on this is provided by Morgan Guaranty, which calculates monthly indices of "real trade-weighted" exchange rates based on the wholesale prices of manufactures. And this still shows a fall of nearly 10 per cent by May this year, compared with the average for 1980-82.

Two explanations remain. One is that raw materials prices have been exceptionally weak during this economic recovery, rising slowly even in sterling terms. The other is that importers have clearly cut their profit margins (not to say dumped manufactured goods) over the past three years.

So what does that tell us about the future? The Chancellor's immediate inflation target – 4½ per cent by the end of the year – depends on whether interest rates come down by then, which they certainly should. Looking beyond that, commodity prices are still weak; and the world recovery is not strong enough for importers to risk jacking up their profit margins.

But there are limits to the extent to which they can go on paring them down in line with sterling. This is good news for British manufacturers – provided they can either continue to achieve big productivity gains, or get a better grip on wage costs. Further progress against inflation still depends fund mentally on domestic cost control.

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Federal Reserve to rule on tighter credit controls

From Bailey Morris
Washington

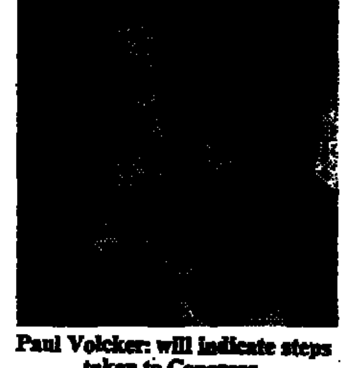
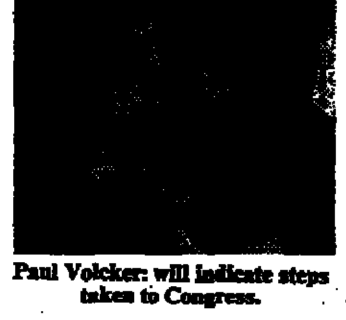
The powerful Open Market Committee of the American Federal Reserve Board meets in closed session today and tomorrow to chart the course of interest rates over the coming critical months.

Governors of the Federal Reserve sustem, which effectively acts as a central bank, must decide whether to tighten credit conditions, given the still strong United States expansion, and if so, by how much, to avoid a rekindling of inflation.

The meeting takes place during a particularly difficult economic period when interest rates are rising, Third World debt concerns are strong, and economists are divided over the future course of United States economic growth.

A decision to tighten monetary controls would be signalled almost immediately after the two-day meeting by an announcement that the Federal Reserve Board was raising its discount rate on loans to financial institutions.

Moreover, Mr Paul Volcker,

Paul Volcker: will indicate steps taken to Congress.

chairman of the Board, will indicate what steps have been taken next week when he reports to Congress on monetary goals.

At 9 per cent, the discount rate is much lower than the 11 per cent Federal Fund rate which institutions charge each other on their borrowings.

Traditionally, when there is such a large gap between the bank's discount rate and the Federal Fund's rate, the Board moves to close it by raising the discount rate.

But analysts said the decision would be more difficult this time because of differences among committee members over the correct course of short-term monetary policy.

Financial markets would probably regard an increase in the discount rate as a signal that the Federal Reservef Board wanted a tighter policy and thus a higher level of interest rates.

The United States prime lending rate the banks charge their best borrowers has been moving steadily higher and now stands at 13 per cent. Most economists believe the rate, under pressure from government borrowing to finance the record Federal deficit, will move to 15 per cent and possibly above by year's end.

A decision to tighten policy, thus putting upward pressure on rates, could have a dramatic impact on Third World debtor countries,

The key question before the Gen Market Committee is whether the US economy will be slowing as much as desired by the second half of the year

But given the uncertainties and the presidential election, analysts do not expect tightening bv the Board.

● In London, the City is bracing itself for a further period of uncertainty after the events of last week, Ian Griffiths writes. Brokers and jobbers were expecting a nervous start to the new account as the market watches developments on sterling and the industrial disputes.

Despite indications from chartists that we are moving into a bear market this has yet to be confirmed in practice.

The uncertainty over the financial markets in the next few days has led three leading clearing banks to delay decisions on what interest rates to charge on their home loan schemes.

Only Lloyds followed the example of the Building Societies Association which advised an increase in lending rates on friday from 10.25 per cent to 12.5 per cent.

Lloyds hiked its mortgage rate up 2.25 percentage points to 13.25 per cent on fri.ay.

Euroferries vote

European Ferries' shareholders meet today to vote for a second time on the company's controversial plans for curbing concessionary fares on Townsend Thoresen Ferries by creating a new class of preference share.

The proposal was defeated by a small margin last month but since then substantial alterations have been made to the scheme

STOCK EXCHANGES

Change on week
FT-SE 100 Index: 995.8 down 48.5
FT Index: 770.7 down 48.6
FT Gilts: 76.74 up 1.05
FT All Share: 466.49 down 23.9
Bargains: N/A
Datastream USM Leaders Index: 94.21 down 6.36
New York: Dow Jones Industrial Average: 1109.87 down 12.7
Tokyo: Nikkai Dow Jones Index 10,153.23 down 308.68
Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 746.02 down 81.26

GOLD

London fixed (per ounce): am $341.60 pm $345.00 close $344.50 - 345.00 (£260.50 - 261)
New York (latest): $344.50
Krugerrand* (per coin): $355.00 - 356.50 (£268.50 - 269.50)
Sovereigns* (new): $81.50 - 82.50 (£61.75 - 62.50)
***Excludes VAT**

BOARD MEETINGS

TODAY – **Interims:** Blundell-Permoglaze, HunterPrint Group, Rand Mines Group (Quarterly), Trust of Property Shares. **FINALS:** Ellis and Evered, Hillards, Tops estates, Vinten Group.

TOMORROW – **Interims:** British Kidney Patient Association Investment Trust, Child Health Research Investment Trust, Greenwich Cable Communications, F. Pratt Engineering Vantage Securities. **Finals:** D. F. Bevan, British Building and Engineering Appliances, First Leisure Corp., MFI Furniture, Milbury, Siebe Gorman, Symonds Engineering, Warehouse Group, Wight Collins Rutherford Scott.

WEDNESDAY – **Interims:** Union Discount. **Finals:** Christie-Tyler, Distillers, Fleming Technology Investment Trust, Hampson Industries Kellock Trust, Robertson Research, Stylone.

THURSDAY – **Interims:** Bullough, Dewhurst and Partner, Elandsrand Gold, Eurotherm International, Gestetner, Greenfriar Investment, Y J Lovell, O Range Free State Group Gold Mining (Quarterly), Romney Trust, Transvaal Gold Mining. **Finals:** Bet, County Properties, Davy Corp. Dixons Group, Dowty Group, Fleming Entertainment Investment Trust, Multitone Electronics, Rothmans International, South African Land, Southvaal Holdings, Vaal Reefs, Western Deep.

FRIDAY – **Interims:** Commercial Bank of Wales, Electronic Machine, Glasgow Stockholders Trust. **Finals:** Black Arrow, Bristol Evening Post, Brunning Group, Elbief, Graig Shipping, Harold Ingram.

Smuggled tin traded in Singapore

By Michael Prest

Philipp Brothers, one of the world's biggest commodity traders, is handling a large proportion of the tin-in-concentrate apparently smuggled to Singapore from neighbouring tin producing countries in contravension of the International Tin Agreement.

Trading in smuggled tin-in-concentrate – the semi -processed ore from which tin proper is smelted – it is not breaking the law. It is smugglers in Malaysia, Indonesia and Thailand who are breaking international agreements. Southern Thailand where the central government authority is weak, is suspected to be the source of the current wave of smuggled ore.

Exporting countries under the ITA rules have agreed to hold 42,000 tons of annual production of tin in concentrate off the market so as to support the world tin price, £9480 a ton last week. Consumption this year is expected to be around 160,000 tons, between 15,000 and 18,000 tons more than output. Production capacity is more than 200,000 tons.

Smuggling tin over and above the amount a country may export, according to the ITA, has been an endemic problem for years. Singapore is a free port which has smelting capacity at Kimetal Tin and is not an exporting member of the ITA.

The extent of smuggling is regarded as a great nuisance by the International Tin Council which administers the ITA because it stretches the resources of the buffer stock manager who has to buy surplus tin. But the TUC is steadily eroding words stocks of 70,000 tons and bringing the supply mor into line with demand.

Rolls expects £200m order

The Saudi Arabian national airline is expected to announce soon a £200m order for the latest version of Rolls-Royce's RB211 jet engine.

PCW names could miss deadline

By Alison Eadie

As many as 150 Lloyd's names on the former PCW syndicates could refuse to meet their July 21 solvency deadlines at Lloyd's, placing the insurance market in a severe predicament, according to the steering committee representing PCW names.

About 450 of the total 1,500 PCW names have a substantial solvency problem, but many would prefer suspension from underwriting by Lloyd's to paying up their losses, when the scale of those losses is not fully ascertained.

The steering committee, which was set up to consider the £38.17m compensation offer made to PCW names by Minet and Alexander & Alexander Services, is considering taking legal action to try to prevent Lloyd'e suspending those names who refuse to meet their solvency requirements.

Among those who will refuse are some of those with the largest deficiencies – up to £250,000. Lloyd's needs to pass its overall solvency test, imposed by the Department of Trade and Industry, by the end of the year, but to trade in the United States it must have been passed by August 31.

There is substantial dissatisfaction among PCW names over Lloyd's handling of the affair. The steering committee believes Lloyd's has given tacit approval to Minet's offer, which it feels is inadequate. At least one member of the committee will be calling for an external inquiry

Acceptances of Minet's offer have to be in by Thursday, giving those who accept time to meet Saturday's solvency deadline. But if a big minority of names with large losses reject the offer, it will fail.

A condition of acceptance of the offer is to waive all rights to legal action. If the offer fails, Minet believes its subsidiary, Richard Beckett Underwrting Agencies (formerly PCW) could be liable to claims up to £75m,

Minet's offer consists of £25m of names' money found in Gibraltar and £13m made up by Minet and A & AS. The amount is equivalent to that channelled offshore by former PCW directors, but gives no interest.

20 offers for Royal Worcester

By Jonathan Clare

Crystalate Holdings has received about 20 serious offers, including some from the US, for Royal Worcester's highly-regarded fine china business.

It expects to draw up a short list of three of four potential buyers this week before a final decision is made. The bids are said to be worth around £20m to £25m.

One offer has come from Mrs Helen Boehm, who runs the Boehm Studios figurine company in the US and who initially approached Crystalate even before it won control of Royal Worcester last year. Confidential details about Royal Worcester were sent out to about 40 possible buyers.

The final decision is expected next month after the two-week summer holiday at Royal Worcester works. Some of the short-listed buyers will not see the factory until after the return to work. Mr Charles Howe, Crystalate's managing director, said: "People expect to see the factory working."

Crystalate expects to sell the whole of the fine china business and is unlikely to keep a stake itself.

AMERICAN NOTEBOOK

Commodities betray monetarist theory

The commodities markets are not performing as they are supposed to do in the monetarist model. While the Federal Reserve Board is holding down the level of short-term interest rates, commodity prices are falling.

The slope of the yield curve in the first three years of its range is now almost vertical. While 90-day T-Bills are yielding 10 per cent and June 1987 bonds are yielding 13.16 per cent, the 30-year US bonds are yielding 13.26 per cent.

The rapid escalation of yields in the first three years is taken as an indication that the Federal Reserve is holding down short-term rates and will continue to do so until the election is out of the way. Lately money MI has risen at about 14 per cent a year, a rate of increase that is well above the Fed's own targets.

Unfortunately for the monetarist economists who have been propounding the view that the Fed is providing greatly excessive reserves growth for the banking system, the commodities markets do not appear to be listening.

Commodities have slumped badly in the last two months. The Commodity Research Bureau index of commodity futures has fallen from a three-year high of 284 in the last week of May to a two-year low of 260.

And since the week of May 11, bond futures have also been seeking a bottom. The September 1984 T-Bond contract was 60 in the week of May 11. It was just under 62 early last week, more than eight weeks after the May 11 bottom was touched.

Far from running scared, the bond futures have been showing a good deal of resolve, seeking to find and maintain a bottom after the long downward slide that Began in Mid-January, when the september contract stood at just over 70.

Other financial futures have also been showing signs of stability. The September 1984 Eurodollar futures contract fell from 89.3 in February to a low of 86.3 in the week of June 10. This contract was over 87 last week.

The September 1984 domestic certificates of deposit contract was 89.7 in early February. It fell to a low of 86.8 in the last week of May. This contract was nearly 88 last week.

Maxwell Newton

NEWS IN BRIEF

Job sharing 'is rubbish'

Unemployment in Britain would not remain permanently high and the long-term outlook could be quite bright if the Government helped rather than hindered fluidity in the labour market, according to Professor Patrick Minford from liverpool University.

Writing in the Institute of Economic Affairs' quarterly magazine he says the view that Britain now has a permanent pool of unemployed and must adjust by job sharing, early retirement and creative leisure planning is "rubish".

He argues that governments must design their taxes, benefits and union laws to further rather than hinder adjustment in the labour market needed to bring down unemployment."

● **THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION** has approved a sales cooperation agreement between Carlsberg, the Danish brewers, and Watney Mann & Truman, the brewing arm of Grand Metropolitan. The Commission said that although the accord involved two major brewers, it should not be blocked on anti-competitive grounds because it allowed a non-British brewer, to gain a foothold in the British market.

● **FIELDING NEWSON-SMITH** is the latest firm of stockbrokers to admit to talks on a link-up with another financial institution. Mr James Dundas Hamilton, the senior partner, confirmed yesterday that Fieldings had been talking to several parties. No partner has yet been identified.

● **JAPAN** has agreed to provide Indonesia with a soft loan of 71,600m yen to help its economic development.

ORDINARY SHARES

Brewers rise in an ailing market

Doom and gloom may abound, but for the brewing sector 1984 has so far been a good year.

Let us look at the facts. First, the sector has risen by 17 per cent against a market which has shown very little net change.

Secondly, good results and satisfactory dividend increases have been the norm rather than the exception, with some quite sparkling achievements. These include Bass, where profits were up by no less than 35 per cent, followed by Scottish & Newcastle, running a close second with profits up by 34 per cent.

Thirdly, beer production is up by 5.3 per cent – an even more remarkable increase given the labour disputes which have occurred at one or two breweries.

Fourthly, spirit consumption is showing some short-term recovery at least, and wine sales seem to become ever more buoyant as each day passes. Finally, hotel occupancy levels continue to rise and catering expenditure grows well.

As the season of school reports approaches, the headmaster can report that the brewing sector (in terms of its share price performance) is fourth this year out of a class of 33; good progress has been seen; and the sector could be capable of doing still better if it works at it.

So far so good, but the perverse attitude of the stock market never ceases to amaze some people. For example, this year has seen three important bids made by brewers. Two succeeded, one did not.

First, Scottish & Newcastle attempted to acquire Cameron. Immediately, regardless of whether it was right or wrong, this was perceived by the market as a good move and the fact that the bid did not proceed was regarded as disappointing.

Then Guinness successfully bid for Martin the Newsagent, but the share price of Guinness suffered fairly heavily as a result. Finally there was the Greenall Whitley bid for De Vere Hotels, which might well qualify as the curate's egg of take-overs this year in the sector, and the share price fell initially by 13 per cent.

In terms of the sector's share price performance, schizophrenia still flourishes. Over the past twelve months the average share price *fall* of the six largest regional brewers has been 21.1 per cent. In marked contrast, the majors are up by an average amount of 29 per cent.

Despite the pronounced advance in the performance of the two groups, both fashion and perhaps some (but not all) of the facts of life tend to label the regional brewers as a group to be avoided. These shares, it is argued, should be sold whereas the major brewers should be bought.

Such a view is an over-simplification and, like all over-simplifications, is unlikely to be true. Nevertheless, the force of sentiment is such that it could be unwise to ignore it.

The regional brewers are perceived as having many "problems" – premium ratings; no "leisure" involvement; inadequate interests in lager, limited wines and spirits business, allegedly poor trading areas and so on. This may be true of some but in general it does not stand up to analysis. Furthermore, it ignores the benefits they still possesses, not least in terms of reasonably well-contained distribution cost.

Vaux, with its sizeable hotel interests, has been achieving satisfactory results but seems to remain unduly tarnished because of its "heavy North East involvement."

Such a tag might have been appropriate in the past but it should not be forgotten that there are many other areas in the UK where unemployment is in fact worse than the North East. In any case, Vaux has been conspicuously successful in broadening both its geographical base and its base of activities. The shares, valued at around 11 times earnings and yielding 6 per cent, appear to be reasonably priced amongst the regional brewers.

Greenall Whitley, at present in the process of spending £44.5m to acquire De Vere Hotels, has suffered because of the likely short-term dilution of earnings that might result. In addition, it has been affected by its increased exposure to interest rate sensitive borrowings

Nevertheless, the PE multiple of 9.5 times earnings seems unduly low.

Recognising the extent of their good price performance, until now, the major brewers still seem likely to continue to make the running in the sector. Trading, by and large, remains quite buoyant and profit expectations perfectly adequate.

Whitbread's shares appeared extremely lowly rated earlier this year and, although some recovery has been seen, the long-term scope seems adequate. The rating is still low, the asset support very good and by no means unimportant

Scottish & Newcastle, one of the best performers in the sector, delivered particularly good results for 1983-84. Prospects continue to look reasonable although, as the company pointed out, it would be wrong to envisage a repeat of last year's rate of profits growth in the current year.

However, better volume, further improvements from hotels and continuing savings from cost cutting are attributes which will continue to count. The shares yield 6.4 per cent, the highest for any company in the sector and the PE multiple of 9.5 times earnings is relatively low.

To match the attainments of its competitors, the company might still have some further catching up to do, but the returns that might accrue over the next few years of so should amply support the present rating.

So, as the climate has passed from "a brewers' easter" to "brewers' summer" and that profitable "good weather" addition to trade, the "marginal pint," has begun to have an increasingly favourable impact, the sector seems capable of continuing to fare better than the average for shares.

There might be a slight lull now the results season has passed, but the fundamentals remain unscathed. Indeed, the headmaster's autumn report might make even better reading than the summer report.

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THE GILT-EDGED MARKET

Mapping a route through the short-term risks

Michael Jankowski

It always helps to know where one is going when planning a route. In the present holiday period this is very rarely a problem. Most holidaymakers know their destinations and plan their routes accordingly.

In financial markets, however, the ultimate destination is rarely known with certainty. If it were, market prices would have already adjusted to a level which incorporates that certainty.

In any form of investment, therfore, it is necessary to balance the returns offered at present prices against the risk of uncertain events. Given the present state of the gilt-edged market, it is of extreme importance to assess the risks.

Gilt-edged prices have fallen almost continually since the Budget in March. Does this indicate that we are now in a bear market and cannot expect prices to recover until further falls have occurred? Or is it reasonable to expect prices to recover to the pre-Budget level within the next 12 months?

What is definitely true is that the returns are very high. As can be seen on the accompanying chart, the level of yields on long dated gilt-edged stock is more than 6 per cent higher than the present inflation rate.

The last time that this occurred was in the great depression when inflation was actually negative. The gap between bank base rates and inflation is also very high – the highest it has been since the great depression.

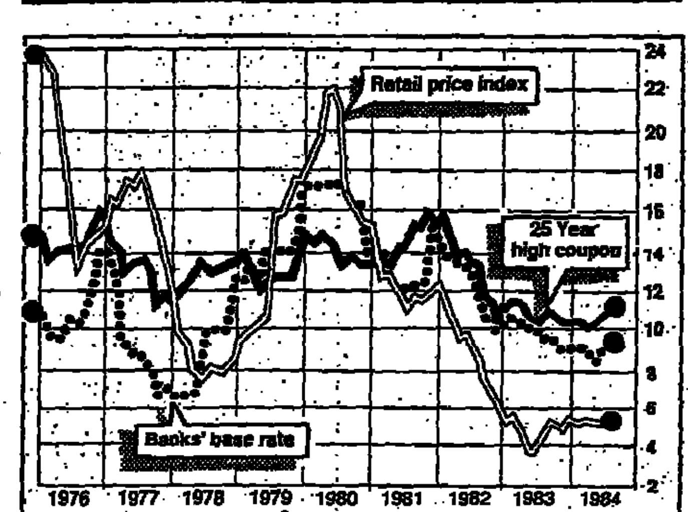
With inflation expected to remain in the 5-7 pe cent range ove the next few years, real short-term rates of interest will remain very high if no downward movement occurs. Such rates of return are clearly attractive by historical standards but whether investors will wait for them to become more attractive depends on their perceptions of the risks.

The risk to the market is chiefly a short term one. The recovery in sterling following the rise in interest rates has been weaker than would have been expected. With the US Fed's open market committee meeting today and tomorrow, all will be watching to see if any tightening occurs.

If US rates rise further and/or UK labour disputes worsen sterling could test levels below $1.30. This would place further pressure on domestic short-term interest rates.

Although it is difficult to determine where domestic interest rates would need to go, if UK rates were brought to a level where they stood at a premium to those presently in the US, the higher rate offered on UK deposits would compensate for the negative factors (chiefly labour disputes) affecting sterling. The currency would probably stabilize. A rate of 14 pe cent could be expected to do the trick, even if US interest rates rise further.

Referring back to the chart, one can see that when base rates were 14 per cent, long-dated yield were of a simiar magnitude. What must be remembered, however, is that during those periods, retail price inflation was above 10 per cent and not considered to have a significant chance of moving below that figure.



With inflation now 5 per cent and expected to stay below 7 per cent, yields on long-dated stock are unlikely to rise by such a significant amount and I would see the limit being 12 per cent (for the FTA 25-year high coupon index).

Longer term fears of a collapse of the US bond market with yields reaching 14-14½ per cent by 1985 seem to be little in the minds of US bond investors at present.

The bond market has rallied six points from its low six weeks ago. No doubt these fears will emerge again when the market is less optimistic. On international relativities, 25-year UK gilt edged yields would need to rise to about 12 per cent (as a 250 basis point gap can be justified between the two markets) if US bond yields rise to 14.5 pe cent.

On the other hand, there are risks for some investors to be out of the market should yields fall.

Given the high real yields on offer, a favourable performance of sterling on the exchanges (if and when domestic labour disputes are resolved) could improve hte gilt-edged market considerably. Already we have seen a substantial improvement in the market after the rise in base rates to 12 per cent. Interest rates in the money market seem to expect the next move in short-term interest rates to be down. Any signs of sterling strength on the foreign exchanges would enhance this expectation.

Looking at the risks involved, it would appear best to wait until the latter part of this week before making any moves in the market.

If sterling gets through unscathed, the market should be expected to improve and, on balance, I would look to a healthier market over the next month.

Technically, the market will also be subject to some favourable influences. Liquidity is high and, give that many taxed institutions will choose to establish tax losses (to be offset against gains elsewhere), this liquidity will go in the market after the tax point is established along with the reinvestment of the sales proceeds.

Looking further into the future, the rise in interest rates will lead to a slowing of bank lending with a consequent reduction in the gilt-edged funding programme.

As credit demand slows, savings will also rise and the balance between the two will push for lower interest rates. On domestic grounds, therefore, pressures will force lower interst rates across the maturity spectrum.

The best maturity area on such a recovery in the market would clearly be in the longer dates. This is the area which has been outperforming in the recent recovery and is expected to continue to do so.

Looking at stocks with lives greater than 10 years, the 1996-1999 area of the market remains the most attractive. Stocks longer than this are very dear by comparison.

The 1992-1994 dates are also relatively dear when compared to the 15-year area and switching longer should be contemplated.

The short dates up to five years will respond very adversely to further sterling weakness and any investment in this area should wait until a clearer picture emerges on the currency front. For high rate taxpayers, the two shorter-dated index-linked securities are most attractive.

Additionally, given the above-mentioned likelihood of taxed funds notching losses and reinvesting the proceeds (plus accumulated cash) in the market, medium coupon stocks will be in for a boost.

These underperformed prior to the Budget and have not reversed that position since. Particularly interesting stocks in this area are Treasury 8¾ per cent 1997, Exchequer 10½ per cent 1997, Exchequer 9¾ per cent 1998 and Conversion 10¼ per cent 1999.

I have confidence that the ultimate destination will be a move to lower yields and higher prices. The balance of risk and return however, argue for some caution in the short term. Overall, I would be a buyer of the market.

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COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

● R T D GROUP: Year to Feb 29. No dividend (same). Turnover £5.95m (£5.65m). Operating profit £3,000 (loss, £98,000). R T D's subsidiary, B M G Engineering (Swindon) has conditionally agreed to sell all its business and assets to Redman Engineering for about £233,000 to be adjusted in respect of stock. The sale is subject to shareholders' approval. R T D's board believes that the sale will be extremely beneficial as it will result in a cash payment to RTD for a business that has to date cost large sums of money.

● ALBERT MARTIN HOLDINGS: Agreement has been reached for Martin to acquire from Mr S. C. Y. Ling 7,500 out of his holding of 10,000 shares in Martin Emprex (Far East), a subsidiary of Martin incorporated in Hongkong. The acquisition will increase Martin's holding in Martin Emprex from 80 to 95 per cent of the subsidiary and continue as its managing director. The consideration for the 15 per cent interest will be £522,000. Martin Emprex manufactures ladies' and children's wear in Hongkong, Macau and Sri Lanka.

● VICTORIA CARPET HOLDINGS: Year to March 31. Turnover £22.39m (£17.45m). Pretax profit £687,000 (loss £39,000). Dividend 0.75p (0.2p). The group's Australian company made a good recovery from the depressed results of 1982-83, the board reports. The British company also increased turnover and profit, but difficult conditions, particularly in the last quarter, restricted margins. Since the year-end, the Australian company has continued to progress, but the British market remains difficult.

● FORMDESIGN (USM quotation): At the annual meeting, Mr John Smith, the chairman, said that, since April 1, there had been a further improvement in the company's position but it is too early to give any indication of profits for the present year. The order position is clearly good, but competition remains keen and it is difficult always to maintain margins. The new high-speed press has been installed and is fully operational on three shifts. The number of orders in the first quarter is 20 per cent up on the same period last year.

● HELICAL BAR: Year to Jan 28. Turnover £6.52m (£7.36m). Pretax loss £600,000 (£72,000 loss). No dividend (same). The board reports that an improvement in selling prices will enable the results for the half-year to July 1984, to show an overall surplus.

● ROTAPRINT: Year to March 31. Sales £15.66m (£14.16m). Pretax profit £232,000 (£401,000). No dividend against 0.1p last time.

USM REVIEW

Average cost of flotation jumps to £131,000

Cost of coming to the Unlisted Securities Market has stretched from a mere £3,000 to as much as £1.5m, according to a survey conducted by Hichens Harrison, the broker.

Hichens has examined 253 flotations since the USM was born 3½ years ago and concludes that the average launch cost emerges at £131,000 with the introduction method by far the cheapest and an offer for sale the most expensive.

It calculates that the average cost of a flotation by introduction is £58,000; a placing costs £107,000 and an offer for sale as much as £326,000.

"The cost of introduction is generally less than other flotations because the company has already satisfied the requirements that at least 10 per cent of the capital is in a wide number of hands and, therefore, the need for a prospectus and advertisement is avoided", Hichens says.

Often an introduction follows a period when dealings have been conducted under the rule 163 facility which allows occasional share deals in public by unquoted companies. The Stock Exchange encourages companies to switch from 163 to the USM.

The cheapest introduction, costing just £3,000, was achieved by fuller, Smith and Turner, the London Pride brewing business, which was a founder member of the USM.

Hichens launched Kennedy Brookes from rule 163 to the USM for £5,000. When the Mario and Franco to Wheelers restaurant group switched to the full market the cost was again £5,000.

The most expensive launches, both offers for sale, were Santerials (£1.5m) and Scusa (£1.1m). Sunterials raised £20m and Scusa £9.6m.

Eliza Tinsley, a tough woman who developed the Eliza Tinsley Group, would no doubt have applauded the cost conscious flotation of the Black Country engineering company which still carries her name. Albert E Sharp, the Birmingham broker is placing Tinsley shares at 55p before thd USM arrival. The cost of the exercise is a below average £80,000.

Tinsley is a solid company with more than a hint of adventure about it. The group makes and distributes products for the farming, construction, marine and engineering industries and has the distinction of importing from China and exporting to Japan.

Profits in the year to March were £766,000 and a significant increase should be acheived in the current year. Mr. Jeremy Sharp, managing director, says: "there is now much more optimism in the West Midlands. The view is that those companies not in profit now will never manage to do so unless they have something around the corner".

Much of the cash raised is going into the company with the controlling Green family, descendents of George and John Green who acquired the business from Eliza Tinsley when she retired in 1873, retaining 80 per cent of the capital.

Husband and wife teams are not uncommon on the USM. Miss Debbie Moore at Pineapple Dance Studios manages to combine the rigours of the boardroom and wedded bliss and it is a similar set-up for Mr Colin Sanders and his wife, Marlene at Brewmaket. A similar partnership paid rich dividends for Mr Patrick Horgan, chairman of Compsoft Holdings, one of Britain's leading producers and distributors of software equipment. Only after he had appointed his wife, Heather, as marketing director did sales really take off, leaving Mr. Horgan more time to devote to his own area of development. In just four years pretax profits have grown from £4,000 to £543,000 on sales up from £9,000 to £1.32m.

Now Compsoft is concentrating on the lucrative European market where it has already built a comprehensive network offering programmes for microcomputers in various languages.

Compsoft is arranging a listing on the USM which is expected to raise £450,000. The group is offering by way of tender through Kleinwort Benson and broker Laurence Prust 1.89 million shares at a minimum price of 120p. This values the entire group at £9.12m where it boasts a price-earnings ratio of 25.6.

The day the Building Socetiesd announce a 2¼ point rise in the mortgage rates to 12½ per cent seems the ultimate in bad timing for a building company anouncing its flotation in the USM.

But Mr James Farrer, chairman of the Berkeley Group, and his managing director, Mr Tony Pidgley hardly batted an eyelid. They build up-market houses in South–East, which has fared better thab the rest of the country during the recession. The cheapest Berkeley house ssells for £50,000 and the dearest for around £400,000.

County Bank and Rowe & Pitman are now arraanging to place 15 per cent of the equity on the USM. The 1.4 million new shares will be placed at 85p in order to raise £1.06m net of expenses to reduce borrowings currently standing at £2.7m.

Many of Berkeley's houses are sold before the first brick is laid and this year the group says it will construct 125 units,

Since 1980 pretax profits have grown steadily from £378,000 to £1.53m, apart from 1982 when profits slipped from £456,000 to £398,000 owing to exceptional costs.

Derek Pain and Michael Clark

EUROBONDS

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FIXED INTEREST STOCKS

[illegible]	[illegible]

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

[illegible]	[illegible]

UNLISTED SECURITIES

Capitalization £	Comp	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	10%
Adam & Company plc	12%
Barclays	10%
BCCI	10%
Citibank Savings	†9¾%
Consolidated Crds	10%
Continental Trust	10%
C. Hoare & Co	*10%
Lloyds Bank	9¾%
Midland Bank	10%
Nat Westminster	9¾%
TSB	9¾%
Williams & Glyn's	9¾%
Citibank NA	9¾%

* Mortgage Base Rate.

† 7 day deposits on sums of under £10,000, [illegible]; £10,000 up to £50,000, [illegible]; £50,000 and over, [illegible].

CRICKET

Marshall: Keeping England at bay single-handed

Marshall's heroics leave England shaken to the core

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

The third Test match at Headingley, sponsored by Cornhill, threatens to end no less disappointingly for England than the second at Lord's. At close of play on Saturday they led West Indies by 103 runs with only four second innings wickets in hand, a wretched position compared with what had seemed reasonably likely only an hour and a quatere earlier. From 104 for two, with Gower and Fowler playing well, England slumped to 135 for six, with all their batsmen out.

It has been nevertheless, a riveting match, and the way in which the West Indians got themselves out of trouble on Saturday woud have been familiar to all their most recent opponents. Once again they produced the goods when it mattered most. They closed ranks when there were cracks appearing.

England's prospects were impaired when Marshall, after coming in to bat one-handed on Saturday morning, then bowled like a demon in the afternoon. Having cracked his left thumb in two places on Thursday, he was not expected to take any further part in the match. The West Indian manager said so.

There is more than one version as to how Marshall was brough back into the action. Clive Lloyd is thought to have been keener on the idea than Marshall himself. Certainly when Garner was ninth out, soon after 12 o'clock on Saturday, Marshall was a long time coming down the pavilion steps. He had not, it seems, padded up, and England, thinking he would not be batting, began to leave the field. Gomes was 96 not out at the time, so that it seemed to start with as though Marshall's heroics were aimed simply at seeing Gomes to his hundred.

But not a bit of it. Gomes, in fact, reached three figures before Marshall had taken strike, but rather than coming off then as would have been sensible Marshall was beginning to enjoy the dramatics. Even after a stoppage for bad light he was back at the crease, carving at the ball, his bat held like a cleaver in his right hand. I suppose the last batsman to play so obviously one-handedly in a Test Match was Lionel Tennyson against Australia on the same ground in 1921, when having split his left hand in the field, he made 63 and 36. There must have been an indomitability about that though, which was not required on Saturday.

It was more with the new ball that Marshall now stamped his performance. Had it been his right hand that was damaged there would have been nothing he could have done about it. He had wondered about removing the plaster of Paris from his left hand but he was advised against this and Lloyd fielded him at long leg, to keep him out of harm's way.

In response to some early mutterings from England's opening batsmen, Marshall had his white plaster cast covered with pink elastoplast (cricketers no longer wear long-sleeved shirts) and he soon showed that as a bowler he was virtually unhandicapped. Which came, of course, as a nasty shock to England.

From the end at which Willis had been hit for 123 runs in 108 balls, Marshall took the wickets of Broad, Fowler and Lamb for 38 runs in 132 balls. He began by having Broad caught at backward short leg, fending a fast rising ball off his Adam's apple; in the evening, in successive overs, he caught and bowled Fowler and had Lamb leg before. As West Indian fast bowlers go, Marshall is a tiddler; yet such are his rhythm, timing, balance and athleticism that he is a yard or two quicker than the others, as well as being incredibly whippy.

With Garner also thundering in and Holding moving the occasional ball disconcertingly, Lloyd had no need for Baptiste, off whom England's batsmen had been hoping to find some pickings. Instead, Lloyd used Harper, who at once gave two left-handers, Fowler and Gower, a teasing time out of the bowlers' footmarks. In his first over alone he beat Fowler three times, and he it was who had Gower caught at the wicket thereby breaking a partnership which was promising to give England an advantage.

It says a lot for Harper that West Indies would now not want to go into a match without him. Until he came into their side earlier this year, the leavening in the attack had to come from Richards and Gomes. Harper can bat too, and he has an exceptional pair of hands. His seven wickets in the series have mostly been useful ones but today the chances are that England will be finished off by Garner, Marshall and Holding.

The England selectors, for their part, will have been wondering over the weekend whether the time has come to put Willis out to grass. There is no need to decide yet. England were also in dire straits against Headingley in 1981 when he had his finest hour. He was England's best bowler on the last day at Lord's. Holding's hitting on Friday evening and Saturday morning (he took five sixes off Willis) was quite superb. It made one wonder what he might haver done had he needed to bat for a living. Holding came in at 206 for seven, when West Indies were still 64 runs behind, and, with Gomes, paved the way for Marshall's exploits

By making another 50 in England's second innings Fowler again confounded his critics. It was his eighth half century in 23 Test innings, and that is a good ratio. The trouble is that in only one of thhe others has he reached 20. Gower was showing a welcome return to form when he got out, his hooking of Holding being splendid. Terry, not surprisingly, was unable to come to grips with the situation. I am sure he is brimful of promise but Hampshire, I know, feel that he is hardly ready yet for this particular form of Formula One sport as many Yorkshiremen do with Moxonn.

Until Botham got out in the last quarter of an hour on Saturday, England were still in the match with a chance. It was here after all, three years ago, that he played the innings by which he is most widely remembered. An hour of him this morning could have left West Indies with plenty to think about. He played as though he knew it – carefully, but with authority. Garner, when he got him out, danced a fandango, his hands whirling in the air, like a man who knew he had put the result beyond doubt. I am afraid he had.

Scoreboard

ENGLAND: First innings 270 (A J Lamb 100, I T Botham 45; Holding 4 for 70).

Second innings

G Fowler c and b Marshall	50
B C Broad c Baptiste b Marshall	2
V P Terry l-b-w b Garner	1
*D I Gower c Dujon b Harper	43
A J Lamb l-b-w b Marshall	3
I T Botham c Dujon b Garner	14
†P R Downton not out	14
N G B Cook not out	0
Extras (l-b 6, n-b 2)	8
Total (6 wkts)	135

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-13, 3-104, 4-106, 5-107, 6-135.

BOWLING (to date): Marshall 22-8-38-3; Garner 13-6-28-2; Holding 7-1-31-0; Harper 16-8-30-1.

WEST INDIES: First innings

C G Greenidge c Botham b Willis	10
D L Haynes b Allott	18
H A Gomes not out	104
I V A Richards c Pringle b Allott	15
*C H Lloyd c Gower b Cook	48
†P J Dujon l-b-w b Allott	26
E A E Baptiste c Broad b Allott	0
R A Harper c Downton b Allott	0
M A Holding c Allott b Willis	59
J Garner run out	0
M D Marshall c Botham b Allott	4
Extras (l-b 3, n-b 15)	18
Total	302

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-43, 3-78, 4-148, 5-201, 6-206, 7-206, 8-288, 9-290, 10-302.

BOWLING: Willis 18-0-123-2; Allott 26.5-7-61-6; Botham 7-0-45-0; Pringle 13-3-26-0; Cook 9-1-29-1.

Umpires: D J Constant and D G L Evans.

Grey day for Fletcher

By Ivo Tennant

Green pitches and grey skies generally made life uncomfortable for batsmen on Saturday although Essex, the County Championship leaders, met unexpected resistance at Bristol.

Fletcher, who can sniff a green pitch, put his opponents in. Had not Lever and Foster just routed Lancashire for 76? Were not Gloucestershire, bottom but one of the championship table, seeing the ball in a different spectrum? True, they began stickily, but prospered as the day wore on. Bainbridge made his first championship century for two years. As Fletcher's luck would have it, Worcestershire opted to bat on another green surface at Trent Bridge, always a debatable choice. They were quickly all out, if not to Hadlee, which ensured that Nottinghamshire closed in on the leaders.

Elsewhere there was little of note, save for another gritty hundred by Clinton, Surrey's opener. He does not always make for compulsive watching, but he possesses the adhesive qualities his colleagues seem to lack. Most of them succumbed to Newman, who captured six wickets for Derbyshire. Leicestershire, who have relinquished the lead at the top, chose an opportune moment to take a break from cricket.

CRICKET: MIDDLESEX DEFY RAIN BUT RIVALS WORCESTERSHIRE SLIP UP

Inchmore battles it out to no avail

By Richard Streeton

WORCESTER: Leicestershire (4 pts) beat Worcestershire by six runs.

Worcestershire succumbed to only their second defeat in the John Player League this season yesterday after being left to make 205. Hard hitting by John Inchmore maintained their effort to the end but 46 from the last five overs proved too much against Roberts and Agnew.

Worcestershire made a promising start but were unable to sustain momentum after Kapil Dev and Patel were out at 100 in successive overs. Weston survived an early return chance to Parsons before he edged a rising ball from Agnew to the wicket keeper. D'Oliveira was bowled trying to make room against Willey. Kapil had already driven Willey for six and four before he gave a return catch in the same over as the bowler held one back.

Patel fell to an astonishing catch in the 22nd over by Butcher who dived to his right at mid-wicket and clung two handed to a stinging drive. Banks was out to another fine catch, this time by Parsons over his shoulder as he ran back from deep mid on. Worcestershire needed 82 from the last 10 overs but Humphries was held at deep backward point and after this only Inchmore was able to maintain the challenge.

Nearly everyone in the Leicestershire side was involved in some attractive stroke making after they were put in, with Willey hitting 45 from only 28 balls. One sliced four against Kapil Dev was almost a six over the third man boundary.

At the start Kapil began with 25 scoreless balls to Butcher before conceding a single, unusual fare for the Sunday television audience to have set before it.

Rain was responsible for the match starting five minutes late, but Worcestershire, to their credit, still completed 40 overs by tea and took some good catches as well. Neale held a low skimming drive at extra cover to end Willey's innings; Newport held awkward ones at backward square leg and long off to dismiss Butcher and Whitaker; and Illingworth had to wait an eternity at mid on for a steepling one by Briers to descend.

Briers pulled Patel for one six but the off spinner had the last word in a tidy spell. Roberts hit a six and three fours against Illingworth in the final over of the innings before he was stumped off the last ball.

LEICESTERSHIRE

I P Butcher c Newport b Patel	35
N E Briers c Illingworth b Patel	47
J J Whitaker c Newport b Inchmore	30
*P Willey c Neale b Illingworth	45
T J Boon c Kapil Dev b Pridgeon	13
A M E Roberts st Humphreys b Illingworth	19
†M A Garnham not out	0
Extras (b 2, l-b 12, w 1)	15
Total (6 wkts, 40 overs)	204

J P Addison, G J Parsons, J P Agnew and I R Carmichael did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–82, 2–116, 3–129, 4–177, 5–188, 6–204.

BOWLING: Pridgeon 8-0-44-1, Kapil Dev 8-4-15-0, Inchmore 7-1-32-1, Newport 3-0-11-0, Illingworth 8-0-57-2, Patel 8-0-30-2.

WORCESTERSHIRE

M J Weston c Garnham b Agnew	30
D N Patel c Butcher b Carmichael	41
B D d'Oliveira b Willey	0
Kapil Dev c and b Willey	24
D A Banks c Parsons b Carmichael	3
†D J Humphries c Willey b Roberts	7
*P A Neale c Whitaker b Agnew	32
J D Inchmore not out	33
P J Newport run out	15
R K Illingworth b Agnew	1
A P Pridgeon not out	0
Extras (b 2, l-b 10)	12
Total (40 overs)	198

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–61, 2–66, 3–100, 4–100, 5–110, 6–127, 7–153, 8–189, 9–193, 10–198.

BOWLING: Roberts 8-0-35-1, Parsons 8-0-45-0, Carmichael 8-1-30-2, Agnew 8-1-43-3, Willey 8-1-33-2.

Umpires: J A Jameson and R Julian.

Herts owe victory to Collyer

By Michael Berry

Hertfordshire, recovering from a position close to ruin, beat Norfolk by three wickets in the final of the English Estates Trophy at Fenners. Norfolk were dismissed for 106 and Hertfordshire were in dreadful trouble before Collyer, their inimitable skipper, led a magnificent revival.

On a slow wicket flooded by the previous night's storm, Handley and Plumb gave Norfolk a half century start before the rest of their batting floundered. Handley survived a life at deep backward square on 18 to hit a fine 48 before Hertfordshire's armoury of slower bowlers ran through the order.

Smith and Johns did the early damage and Hailey offered the support as Norfolk lost their last five wickets for just 10 runs.

In reply Hertfordshire had their first three batsmen back in the pavilion, two to Whittaker, with only a wide on the board. They were 36 for 5 after 20 overs but Garofall helped his captain add 49 and Collyer, many people's choice in such a position, enjoyed the luck of twice being dropped behind to hit the winning runs in finishing on 68 not out. He was the inevitable choice for the Man of the Match award.

NORFOLK

S G Plumb, l-b-w b Smith	20
F L Q Handley, c Hailey b Johns	48
R D P Huggins, c Smith b Johns	1
Parvez Mir, c Osman b Smith	3
E R Hodson, c Garofall b Johns	2
R L Bradford, c Collyer b Hailey	15
T D Topley, l-b-w b Johns	2
D E Mattocks, l-b-w b Hailey	4
A C Agar l-b-w b Garofall	0
D R Thomas not out	2
P K Whittaker, b Merry	3
Extras	6
Total (41-1 overs)	[illegible]

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–53, 2–62, 3–65, 4–68, 5–83, 6–96, 7–96, 8–100, 9–100, 10–106.

BOWLING: Surridge 4-0-23-0; Merry 7.1-2-15-1; Smith 11-3-17-2; Johns 11-2-37-4; Hailey 6-4-8-2; Garofall 2-2-0-1.

HERTFORDSHIRE

W M Osman c Handley b Whittaker	0
N P G Wright lbw b Mir	0
D G Ottley lbw b Whittaker	0
B G Evans c Handley b Topley	10
†*F E Collyer not out	68
T S Smith c Huggins b Plumb	1
A R Garofall lbw b Mir	22
R L Johns lbw b Thomas	1
D Surridge not out	0
Extras	5
Total (7wkts, 49.1 overs)	107

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–0, 2–1, 3–1, 4–29, 5–36, 6–85, 7–104.

BOWLING: Whittaker 10-3-22-2, Mir 11-5-15-2, Topley 10.1-2-30-1, Plumb 11-3-29-1, Thomas 6-4-5-1, Agar 1-0-1-0.

Small worry

An injury to the fast bowler, Gladstone Small, is worrying Warwickshire, who meet Lancashire in the Benson and Hedges Cup final at Lord's, on Saturday. Small had an injection for a shoulder injury on Friday night.

Quickfire Gatting keeps Middlesex [illegible]

[illegible] ... good-sized crowd, Gatting [illegible] Oldham to the [illegible] and then cracked [illegible] the scoreboard. When he was bowled, 59 had been added in six overs and Middlesex were all but home, though drizzle prevented them [illegible] remaining dry.

A heavy shower shortly before the scheduled start delayed play until 3.15; by then the sun was shining brightly but matting was required to cover one of several old patches lower down their square which remained damp. The pitch was green and, before Gatting entered the fray, looked unconducive to stroke making, and with the outfield slow, fours were at a premium.

Yorkshire suffered an early set back by the fall of Boycott and Sharp in the space of three balls, [illegible] the previous Sunday, holding firm [illegible] held a fierce return [illegible] over. Robinson, [illegible] Carrick pushed the [illegible] five an over [illegible] boundary was reached [illegible] the bat. [illegible] the going little [illegible] began their reply. The first boundary hit of the innings was a six by Barlow to square leg in [illegible] but he and Radley [illegible] improvisation, put [illegible] the first wicket [illegible] strength attack.

Thomas makes up for the weather

By Peter Marson

THE OVAL: Surrey (4pts) beat Derbyshire by 87 runs.

This was a good performance by Surrey as they strengthened their position in the upper reaches of the John Player League with their third success in a row. David Thomas, Surrey's all-rounder, played a significant part and he was at his flamboyant best, hitting a dashing 60 before taking three wickets for 42 runs in his stint of eight overs.

We had one of those irritating false starts when the players, having walked out to take up their positions, then smartly about-turned before running for cover as the rain came teeming down. After mopping up operations and a delay of 95 minutes which meant a reduction in overs to 25, Surrey, who had been put in to bat, began again.

Butcher fell to a fine catch on the boundary at long leg in the second over; Lynch was leg-before in the next, bowled by Newman, and Howarth offered Newman an easy catch at mid-on in the sixth. At that point Surrey catch at mid-on in the sixth. At that point Surrey were tottering at 13 for three. There followed a bright, brisk partnership of 48 in seven overs between Thomas and Stewart, before both batsmen found themselves at the same end. Stewart did the gentlemanly thing and made for the pavilion.

If Stewart looked disappointed, then Thomas felt badly about it too. However, he made amends by moving up a gear to set about Derbyshire's bowlers with a flourish, the hallmark to Thomas's whirlwind hitting. With Richards in and out quickly, Knight became Thomas's partner as the left-handed sixth wicket pair plundered 68 runs in seven overs. Surrey were fighting back, and Knight went on to an excellent unbeaten half-century, taking his side to 186 for seven.

Derbyshire made the same hideous beginning, losing their first six batsmen for 63 runs in the course of 13 overs. Only Wright, who had the temerity to hit Clarke for six and four, put up significant resistance.

SURREY

A R Butcher c Tunnicliffe b Broom	2
*G P Howarth c Newman b Broom	3
M A Lynch l-b-w b Newman	4
D J Thomas c Tunnicliffe b Newman	60
A J Stewart run out	28
†C J Richards c [illegible] b Broom	1
R D V Knight not out	57
S T Clarke b Finney	[illegible]
M A Feltham not out	[illegible]
Extras (l-b 6, w 2)	8
Total (7 wkts, 25 overs)	186

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–3, 2–7, 3–13, 4–61, 5–63, 6–131, 7–174.

BOWLING: Newman 5-1-37-2, Broom 8-0-53-3, Finney 8-0-44-1, Tunnicliffe 4-0-43-0.

DERBYSHIRE

J G Wright lbw b Knight	37
A Hill run out	4
W P Fowler c Richards b Clarke	7
J E Morris c Howarth b Thomas	1
*G Miller b Thomas	11
R J Finney c Clarke b Feltham	1
D J Moir b Thomas	25
†B J M Maher b Pocock	3
P G Newman not out	0
C J Tunnicliffe c Thomas b Pocock	4
I Broom c Clarke b Pocock	0
Extras (b 4, l-b 2)	6
Total (18.5 overs)	99

Bonallack to issue written warnings

By Mitchell Platts

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... playing alongside Jack Nicklaus and Hale Irwin.

● The American, Tom Weiskopf, winner of the Open 11 years ago, has pulled out of this week's championship at St Andrews. Michael Bonallack, revealed yesterday that Weiskopf had scratched for "personal reasons". Also out are his compatriots Curtis Strange and Lou Graham.

● Advance ticket sales for the Open are nearly 50 per cent up on last year, when a new crowd record was set. More than 90,000 tickets have already been sold, compared to 65,000 at Birkdale.

Lancashire in fine recovery

Neil Fairbrother and Simmons guided Lancashire to their sixth Sunday league win of the season at Portsmouth with a stand of 64 in five overs. Lancashire won by four wickets with seven balls to spare.

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Hoad must talk to his putter

By John Hennessy

Paul Hoad, defying a miserable background of tournament golf this season, dominated the first day of the qualifying competitions for the Open championship yesterday. His round of 63 surpassed the Leven Links record by two strokes, equalled the qualifying record for the Open and gave him a lead of two strokes on his course. There are four competitions altogether and David Dunk leads at Lundin Links with 65, Wayne Bailey, an Australian, at Ladybank with 66 and Peter McEvoy, an amateur at Scotscraig, also with 66. Par for all courses is 71.

Hoad, and England amateur team colleague of Nick Faldo, Sandy Lyle and Mark James, turned late to the professional ranks, but the choice of "Rookie of the Year" in his first season suggested he might catch them up in due time.

This year, however, he has fallen to only 60th place in the order of merit, with 13th in the Madrid Open as his high water mark of achievement. By his own admission he has been putting atrociously. After missing the 36 hole cut at the Belfry last week he might have been forgiven for hurling his putter in the lake but, instead, he chose "to talk to it a bit".

Andrew Sherborne, a present England international, later equalled the old record with a 65, mainly on the strength of four successive birdies from the 11th.

Bobby Clampett, perhaps the most distinguished player in the whole field on the strength of his Herculean effort at Troon two years ago, is in danger of returning to the United States empty-handed. He took 72 at Ladybank and will probably have to improve on that by two strokes to tee up at St Andrews on Thursday.

Leading scores

*Denotes amateur

LUNDIN LINKS: 65, D Dunk; 66, P Barber, *D Llewellyn, M Hatalsky (US), D Frost (S Africa); 67, G Davies, S Thompson; 68, A Oldcorn, D Jones, A Sowa (Aus); 69, R Fraser, P Kern (US), *A Edwards (Zim), R Hartman (US), D Screaton, J Chillas, P Carrigill; 70, R Rafferty, M Johnson, P Tupling, B Jones (Aus), M Aoki (Jap), P Dahlberg (Swe), C Moore (Aus), W Smith (Aus), [illegible], G Cullen (Kenya).

Rivero: the second best striker of a ball in Spain.

Rivero hits the high road to St Andrews

By Mitchell Platts

The interesting aspect of Jose Rivero's victory in the Lawrence Batley International on Saturday is not only that it should come on the eve of the Open Championship but also at a time when his more illustrious compatriot, Severiano Ballesteros, should be struggling to reassure himself.

For although Rivero was virtually unknown outside his native Spain before the start of this season, he was nevertheless regarded by his friends in the game as the player most likely to follow in Ballesteros's glorious footsteps.

Even Rivero doubts whether he has a strong enough heart to win at St Andrews, although the manner in which he holed a putt of 10 feet on the [illegible] to secure success at The Belfry should dispel such fears, but there can be little doubt that he possesses sufficient ammunition to make a challenge for the Open.

Manuel Pinero, for so long the Spaniard who has played second fiddle to Ballesteros, acknowledges that Rivero is "the best striker of the ball we have in Spain outside of Seve".

Rivero underlined the truth in that statement with a flawless round of 67 to win his first significant title, and a first prize of £18,330, his aggregate of 280 being eight under par for the Brabazon course at The Belfry.

He holed his last putt – "I was nervous but I wasn't shaking", he said – only minutes after watching almost in disbelief as his compatriot, Jose Canizares, rolled an astonishing putt of fully 40 feet into the hole to set up the prospect of a sudden death finish for the second successive year.

So Canizares, also round in 67 without making an error, had to be content with the runners-up position. For Sam Torrance it proved to be a disappointing afternoon. He started out with four birdies in five holes and then faltered, eventually finishing in 72 for a share of third place.

Apart from Rivero, the other big success was the course, which has come on in leaps and bounds in a year. There seems no reason to assume why it should not be in excellent condition for the Ryder Cup next year.

LEADING FINAL SCORES (British unless stated): 280: J Rivero (Sp), 73, 69, 71, 67. 281: J M Canizares (Sp), 75, 69, 70, 67. 283: S Torrance, 68, 72, 71, 72; N Ozaki (Jap), 70, 72, 68, 73. 284: A Garrido (Sp), 71, 77, 68, 68; P Senior (Aust), 70, 74, 68, 72. 286: K Brown, 69, 71, 74, 71. 286: J Gonzales, 74, 74, 70, 68; I Woosnam, 72, 71, 72, 71; S Lyle, 70, 74, 70, 72. 287: R Drummond, 70, 76, 72, 69; D J Russell, 71, 74, 72, 70; M King, 72, 71, 73, 71.

288: B Waites 72, 75, 73, 68; C Moody 73, 73, 69, 73. 289: J Anderson (Can) 72, 78, 74, 65; N Coles 71, 76, 72, 70; D Frost 69, 79, 71, 70; R Chapman 74, 77, 67, 71. 290: O Sellberg (Swe) 76, 74, 71, 69; P Hamblett (NZ) 73, 72, 74, 71; D Jagger 69, 74, 73, 74; C O'Connor Jnr 75, 69, 74, 72; M Johnson 72, 72, 71, 75. 291: M Persson (Swe) 79, 71, 71, 70; S Ballesteros (Sp) 74, 73, 72, 72; A Forsbrand (Swe) 74, 75, 70, 72. 292: S Martin 76, 73, 73, 70; J Bland (SA) 74, 76, 70, 72; H Baiocchi (SA) 79, 66, 73, 72; J Ozaki (Jap) 76, 72, 70, 74. 293: M Bembridge 72, 75, 77, 69; J Hawkes (SA) 76, 75, 73, 69; R Rafferty 78, 73, 71, 71. 294: B Clampett (US) 76, 74, 72, 72; J Higgins 71, 74, 74, 75; A Russell (US) 69, 79, 71, 75. 295: P Oosterhuis 73, 75, 73, 74; N Hansen 75, 75, 71, 74. 296: T Jacklin 74, 73, 78, 71; D Jones 74, 77, 75, 70; D Llewellyn 74, 76, 75, 71; E Rodriguez (Sp) 73, 77, 72, 74.

297: V Somers, 74, 76, 76, 71; M Clayton (Aus), 74, 75, 74, 74; B Charles (NZ), 76, 75, 71, 75. 298: M Calero (Sp), 76, 75, 75, 72; B Barnes, 73, 77, 75, 73; P Way, 76, 73, 76, 73; M Ballesteros, 76, 73, 73, 74; T Johnston (Zim), 74, 76, 72, 76; E Polland, 76, 75, 70, 77. 299: I De Leon (Mex), 75, 76, 73, 75; D Smyth, 74, 77, 74, 74; N Job, 74, 77, 74, 74; V Fernandez (Arg), 79, 71, 75, 74. 300: H Shigenobu (Jap), 77, 72, 77, 74; R Alarcon (Mex), 77, 74, 76, 73; B Robertson, 76, 75, 74, 75. 301: P Carrigill, 78, 73, 80, 70. 302: E Murray, 74, 75, 76, 77. 303: P Mitchell, 72, 79, 77, 77; G Taylor (Aus), 71, 74, 83, 77. 306: M Lanner (Swe), 73, 77, 79, 77. 310: G Brand jnr, 78, 72, 82, 78.

Mrs White drops shot to let in Miss Alcott

Peabody, Massachusetts (Reuter) – Amy Alcott, the 1980 champion, shared the lead after three rounds of the women's US Open championship on Saturday when her main challenger, Donna White, dropped a shot at the 18th hole. Mrs White ended the day with level-par 72 while Miss Alcott scored a 73. Both were on 218.

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● A final round of 69 gave Lori Castillo, of the United States, her first professional win, in the £7,500 Caldy Classic on Saturday.

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● England surrendered their European under-22 women's team title on Saturday when they were beaten 4-3 by Sweden in their semi-final.

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Young Scots claim first win in style

Scotland's young golfers held off a late challenge from England to win the European Boys' championship for the first time at Royal St George's, Sandwich on Saturday by 5½ points to 1½.

After taking both the morning foursomes, Scotland needed two of the singles. Lee Vannet, from Carnoustie, gained a one-hole victory over England's No. 1, Peter Baker. The 16-year-old English boy fought back from four down after 12 to take the 13th, 16th and 17th but a nine-foot putt at the 18th was not good enough to defeat Vannet.

Scotland's other winners were Calum Innes, who beat Andrew Hare on the last green, and Mark Brennan, who won by two and one against Paul Sweetsur.

England managed just one point from the singles through Steven Richardson.

Wales took third place with a 5-2 victory over Denmark. The Welsh boys lost both morning foursomes but then whitewashed the Danes in the singles. Ireland finished fifth after beating Sweden 4-3.

FINAL: England 1½, Scotland 5½ (England names first): Foursomes: A Hare (Stafford) and S Richardson (Lee on Solent) lost to K Buchan (Lilleshall) and P Sweetsur (Wolstanton) lost to L Vannet (Carnoustie) and A Turnbull (Peebles) 3 and 2. Singles: Baker lost to Vannet 1 hole; Richardson beat Turnbull 1 hole; Hare lost to Innes 1 hole; Sweetsur lost to Mr Brennan (Easter Moffat) 2 and 1; B Jackson halved with Buchan.

PLAY OFFS: Third place Wales 5, Denmark 2 ... Bjorn 1 hole: D Bagg (Pyle and Kenfig) bt Simonsen 4 and 3. Fifth Place: Ireland 4, Sweden 3, (Ireland names first) Foursomes: K Sheehan (Cork) and K Kearney (Roscommon) lost to A Mednick and F Karlsson 7 and 6; J Farrell (Carlow) and E O'Connell (Killarney) bt O Nordberg and P U Johansson 3 and 1. Singles: M Curry (Castlecomer) bt J Reffborn 5 and 4; Farrell lost to Karlsson at 20th; O'Connell bt Mednick 5 and 3; Kearney lost to Nordberg 3 and 1; Sheehan bt Johansson 4 and 3. Other results: Netherlands 4 France 3; Italy 4, Greece 3.

FINAL PLACES: 1, Scotland; 2, England, 3, Wales; 4, Denmark; 5, Ireland; 6 Sweden; 7, West Germany; 8 France; 9, Netherlands; 10 Italy; 11, Greece; 12, Spain; 13, Belgium.

FRIDAY'S RESULTS: Semi-finals: England 6½, Wales ½; Scotland 5½, Denmark ½.

POWERBOATING

Swarbrick makes unwanted splash

Jonathan Swarbrick, of Sutton Coldfield, escaped injury when he flipped his Formula Four powerboat during practice on Windermere yesterday and had to be rescued from the water. After quick repairs to the boat he was able to compete in the Formula Two, Three and Four races on the lake for national championship points.

The incident delayed the start of the races but this did not mar the event for the 32 entrants or the many spectators. It was the first time for 10 years that a national championship event for these formulas had been held on the lake.

RESULTS: Formula Two: 1, J Jones (Cardigan); 2, T Williams (Northwood); 3, M Wilson Shirley (Sussex). Formula Three: 1, A Elliott (Bracknell); 2, D Isbett (Great Yarmouth); 3, A Hiscock (Cannock). Formula Four: 1, D Stafford (Cheltenham); 2, K McCrorie (Bracknell); 3, J Beale (Norwich).

● Fabio Buzzi, from Italy, took an early lead in the round-Britain offshore race, sponsored by Everest Double Glazing, which started at Portsmouth on Saturday. Buzzi, driving a 38ft monohull of his own design, was closely followed into Falmouth Harbour at the end of the first stage by his fellow-countryman and the past world champion, Renato Della Valle.

High winds and difficult sea conditions gave all competing craft a rough ride down the south coast, with the top British hope, Ted Toleman, in Carlsberg, suffering severe damage to his 46ft cougar Catamaran.

Toleman, from Brentwood, Essex, completed the first stage in fourth position, but was shipping water fast.

The leaders after the first leg were:

CLASS I: 1, White Iveco (F Buzzi, It), elapsed time 3hr 46min 11sec; 2, Ego Lamborghini (R Della Valle, It), 3:47:23; 3, The Legend (C Gervaise-Brazier, Guernsey), 4:18:58.

CLASS II: 1, Double Two Shirts (T Hill, GB), 5:07:27; 2, Brut (P Armstrong, GB), 5:31:18; 3, La Carnacchiatu (P Vio, It), 6:07:47.

CLASS III: 1, Oci Suzuki (P Ash, GB), 5:31:19.

OVERALL: 1, White Iveco, 3:46:11; 2, Ego Lamborghini, 3:47:23; 3, The Legend, 4:18:58; 4, Carlsberg (T Toleman, GB), 4:42:57; 5, Double Two Shirts, 5:7:27; 6, Brut, 5:31:18.

CYCLING

Fignon wins his brush with an old master

La Ruchere en Chartreuse (Reuter) – Laurent Fignon, of France, won the sixteenth stage of the Tour de France race here yesterday, beating Bernard Hinault, his arch rival, by 33 seconds. The defending champion's win cut his team colleague Vincent Barteau's overall lead to 6 minutes 29 seconds. Hinault remains third, 9 minutes 15 seconds behind Barteau.

Fignon held a one-second edge over Hinault after 12 kilometres of the 22-kilometre individual time trial from Les Echelles to this mountain-top finish near Grenoble.

The bespectacled Parisian built on this lead during the 10-kilometre climb to the 1,160-metre summit and, with less than six kilometres to go, had extended the gap with Hinault to three seconds.

Fignon then opened up further, to finish almost sprinting and ousted Luis Herrera, of Colombia, from the top place by 25 seconds. Hinault was fourth, edged by a second out of third place by Pedro Delgado, of Spain.

Earlier Hinault had complained officially about a decision to allow Barteau to follow his Renault team colleague, Fignon, second overall, in the starting order.

For time trials the positions in the overall standings are reversed, the last competitor starting first. The Tour rules state, however, that team colleagues shall not start immediately after each other, so the running order was altered, placing Hinault between Fignon and Barteau.

As the early staters got under way a communique was issued stating that the starting order would revert to the original, with Hinault third from last to start, followed by Fignon and Barteau. The race jury statement said it was done in the "interest of fair play".

This added more spice to the battle between the old master and Fignon, who were team colleagues a year ago until differences of opinion between Hinault and the team chief, Cyrille Guimard, caused a split.

Hinault missed his chance of a record-equalling fifth Tour win last year because of injury and returned this summer intent on showing that he was still boss. But he is almost alone in his fight whereas Barteau has Fignon and the world champion, Greg Lemond, behind him in a team who have the tour in their grasp.

Fignon's triumph yesterday was the team's seventh stage success and the 1983 Tour winner's second time trial victory of the race over Hinault, who is the acknowledged king of against-the-clock racing.

BOWLS

English pair on the right line

England's pair of David Bryant and Tony Allcock edged closer to the pairs final in the world championships after a gruelling session at Aberdeen yesterday.

The title favourites took four hours to beat Ireland 18-14 in the meeting between the two section 8 leaders.

Yesterday afternoon's victory left England in front with 14 points from seven matches and left Ireland hoping for a slip by Bryant and Allcock after suffering their first defeat in seven starts.

It required the shot of the championships by the Scottish skip, Jim Boyle, to enable the Scots to protect their winning record, and with three games remaining only Swaziland and Zambia can prevent the host nation from reaching the final.

With one end remaining Hongkong led 17-15 and the picture looked even bleaker for the Scots trio of Boyle, Brian Rattray and Doug Lambert as their opponents held three shots with only two Scottish bowls to be played. However Boyle produced, in his own words, "the best pressure bowl of my life" to spring the jack into the ditch and give his team the three shots they needed to snatch an 18-17 win.

PAIRS: Section A: Zambia 15, United States 29; Swaziland 10, Scotland (W Wood, D Gourlay) 20; Western Samoa 12, Wales (J Anstey, S Wilshire) 25; Kenya 20, New Zealand 20; Botswana 4, Australia 34; Pappua New Guinea 23, Wales 17; Zambia 15, Scotland 21; Swaziland 15, Zambia 17; Kenya 20, Papua New Guinea 26; Botswana 14, United States 19; Australia 19, Wales 14; New Zealand 15, Scotland 19; Western Samoa 12, Papua New Guinea 34, Swaziland 12, United States 30. Section B: Israel 25, Jersey 13; Malawi 11, Ireland (D Corkill, T Kennedy) 24; Fiji 20, Hongkong 19; Argentina 14, England (D Bryant, A Allcock) 18; Zimbabwe 12, Canada 21; Guernsey 19 Jersey 29; Fiji 17, Ireland 31; Malawi 14, Fiji 15; Argentina 16, Guernsey 17; Zimbabwe 19, Hongkong 15; Canada 16, Jersey 12; Israel 13, Guernsey 24; Malawi 18, Hongkong 27; Fiji 22, Argentina 22; England 18, Ireland 14.

TRIPLES: Section A: Australia 32, Western Samoa 8; Papua New Guinea 14, Canada 31; Israel 14, Ireland (S Espie, S Allen, J Baker) 24; Guernsey 8, Australia 29; Western Samoa 3, New Zealand 47, Zimbabwe 17, England (G Turley, J Haines, J Bell) 14; Israel 9, Australia 31; Wales (R Weale, D Price, B Hawkins) 18, Canada 14; Guernsey 11, Israel 19; Western Samoa 14, Wales 18; Zimbabwe 16, Ireland 17; England 22, Canada 13; Papua New Guinea 13, Wales 13; Guernsey 14, Ireland 18; New Zealand 21, Australia 12.

SECTION B: United States 18, Argentina 12; Jersey 19, Zambia 18; Malawi 18, Hongkong 23; Kenya 17, United States 10; Argentina 11, Fiji 30; Jersey 12, United States 17; Botswana 14, Scotland (B Rattray, D Lambert, J Boyle) 20; Swaziland 20, Hongkong 18; Kenya 15, Jersey 12; Argentina 13, Swaziland 17, Botswana 21, Zambia 23; Scotland 18, Hongkong 17; Fiji 15, United States 15; Malawi 24, Swaziland 25; Kenya 13, Zambia 21; Jersey 19, Argentina 21.

SPEEDWAY

King's power is absolute

American Lance King pulled off a spectacular win in the individual world speedway championship overseas final at Belle Vue Manchester yesterday. The Cradley Heath rider, the youngest competitor in the event at 20, won all five heats in convincing style to lead 10 riders into the inter-continental final at Vojens, Denmark, next Friday.

King, who also made the fasted lap in 68.6 seconds, recorded the maximum 15 points to beat Australian Phil Crump of Swindon by three points. Sheffield's American import Shawn Moran clinched third place with 11 points while his elder brother Kelly was involved in the only run-off of the day, for a place in Denmark.

RESULTS: 1, L King (Cradley Heath/US) 15pts; 2, P Crump (Swindon/Aus) 12; 3, S Moran (Sheffield/US) 11; 4, B Sanders (Ipswich/Aus) 10; equal 5, A Grahame (Cradley Heath/Eng) and M Shirra (Reading/NZ) 9; equal 7 K Carter (Halifax/Eng), L Ross (Belle Vue/NZ) and S Wigg (Oxford/Eng) 8; 10 K Moran (US) 7


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ATHLETICS

Cram wins but in a slow time and Moorcroft gives an action replay

By Pat Butcher

Steve Cram quelled immediate fears for his Olympic gold medal chances after what he himself called [illegible] race" on Friday [illegible] he won the 1,500 [illegible] England [illegible] and Hungary [illegible] Bix, [illegible] in Birmingham yesterday. [illegible] the time of 3min 44.7sec is not going to win any medals, and Cram acknowledged that he has a lot more to do before his 1,500 metres heats begin in Los Angeles on August 9.

Before he leaves for California next week, he will try to catch up on the preparation that has been marred by an achilles tendon injury, with a mile in Edinburgh tomorrow, and another one in Oslo next Saturday evening. The pleasing thing about yesterday's race was his forceful last lap after a relatively sedate pace, due to a high wind and a too big field of 15 Steve Crabb, who won the 1,000 metres in which Cram trotted in last on Friday, won the 800 metres yesterday.

David Moorcroft reproduced the scenario from the Gateshead 3,000 metres last week in all but the time. In the second of only three races before the Olympics, Moorcroft started at the back in the seven and a half lap race, and worked his way through the field who were running a slow first kilometre in 2min 50.2sec. He started to stretch out to reach the front at the end of the second kilometre, which was run 10 seconds faster, then found David Lewis on his shoulder with 300 metres to go, and sprinted away, to win in 8min 0.68sec.

That is 12 seconds slower than in Gateshead, but what pleased Moorcroft, considering, as he pointed out, the strong wind, was that the last kilometre was yet another 10 seconds faster than the second, and his last 200 metres was under 27 seconds. Moorcroft ends his short preparation next Saturday in Oslo, where he runs the Dream Mile. "If I can run 3min 51sec there, I shall be well pleased," he said.

The 400 metres runners, despite another crowd pleasing relay performance, are causing some consternation, particularly Todd Bennett, whose 200 metres running up to a month ago was world class, and should have resulted in fairly easy sub-46 second one lap races by now. But muscle strains and a dose of influenza have kept Bennett down to 46.1sec on Friday at Crystal Palace, and 47.51sec yesterday. Bennett and his coach Mike Smith have properly decided to get back on the training track – although Phil Brown, a lethargic 48.12sec yesterday, has been persuaded to run at Edinburgh tomorrow night – and are convinced that Bennett can get things right for Los Angeles.

Fatima Whitbread beat Tess Sanderson in a pre-match javelin contest. Miss Whitbread won by [illegible] a half metres, after being [illegible] to an eight centimetres [illegible] victory over Miss Sanderson on Friday night, in their first [illegible] since the World Championships last summer. Miss Whitbread evidently has the edge on her colleague but they will both do well in Los Angeles.

Mark Holtom's wind-blown 13.61sec for third place in the 110 metres hurdles behind Henry, Andridi and Clutus Clark of the United States, may yet win him the Olympic place that everyone [illegible] disappeared [illegible] severe [illegible] ago. But his and Geoff Parsons' high jump performance on Friday night, when he broke the British record with 2.26 metres, have caused Frank Dick, the director of coaching, to think about their addition to the team.

Ovett runs into another hitch

[illegible] Ovett to miss the meetings at Crystal Palace on Friday and in Birmingham yesterday, also keeps him out of the Edinburgh meeting tomorrow night. Since Ovett plans to leave for Los Angeles next Friday, that means he will also miss the Oslo meeting on Saturday, and will not arrive in any condition to contest the last American pre-Olympic meeting in Oregon on the same night.

RESULTS FROM BIRMINGHAM

Men

100 METRES: 1, L Christie (Eng), 10.35 sec; 2, M Krulee (US, guest), 10.36; 3, A Janiak (Pol), 10.40.
800 METRES: 1, S Crabb (Eng), 1min 46.71sec; 2, J Mays (US, guest), 1:47.01; 3, G Cook (Eng), 1:47.17.
1,500 METRES: 1, S Cram (Eng), 3:44.70; 2, B Theriot (US, guest), 3:44.79; 3, A Salter (Eng, guest), 3:45.17.
3,000 METRES: 1, D Moorcroft (Eng), 8:0.68; 2, D Lewis (Eng), 8:1.87; 3, J Doherty (Eng, guest), 8:3.15.
400 METRES HURDLES: 1, D Patrick (US, guest) 50.32 sec; 2, B Williams (US, guest) 50.48; 3, I Takacs (Hun), 51.01.
4 x 100 METRES RELAY: 1, England 40.18 sec; 2, Hungary 40.31; 3, Poland 40.38.
4 x 400 METRES RELAY: 1, England 3min 7.87 sec; 2, England B 3:8.37; 3, Hungary 3:9.28.
MATCH RESULT: 1, England 179 points; 2, Hungary 134; 3, Poland 131.
POLE VAULT: 1, W Kozakiewicz (Pol), 5.70; 2, M Kolasa (Pol), 5.50; 3, F Salberl (Hun), 5.40.
TRIPLE JUMP: 1, B Bakosi (Hun), 16.77; 2, W Golanko (Pol), 16.58; 3, E McCalla (Eng), 16.48.
SHOT: 1, Gassowski (Pol), 18.84m; 2, L Szabo (Hun), 18.58; 3, M Winch (Eng), 17.7.
DISCUS: 1, F Tacle (Hun), 60.42; 2, P Mardle (Eng), 60.32; 3, G Fajer (Hun), 57.70.
HAMMER: 1, H Krolak (Pol), 76.92; 2, M Tomaszeski (Pol), 76.28; 3, I Szitas (Hun), 75.52.

Women

JAVELIN (invitation): 1, F Whitbread, 67.16m; 2, T Sanderson, 62.54; 3, S Gibson, 60.34.

Bubka talks of breaking the barrier

Sergei Bubka, whose world record of 5.90 metres in the pole vault kept three quarters of the 17,000 crowd at Crystal Palace captive until about 11 pm at the Peugeot Talbot Games on Friday evening, sees himself clearing the six-metre barrier "within the next one to two years" [illegible].

The [illegible] Soviet athlete, [illegible] would have [illegible] for the [illegible] had the [illegible] Slusarski, the [illegible] champion, he "would [illegible] over six metres".

Zola Budd will be the outstanding threat to Mary Decker in Los Angeles after the 18-year-old former South African's world best 2,000 metres of 5 minutes 33.15 seconds at the same meeting.

Miss Decker, of the United States, the world 1,500 metres and 3,000 metres champion, has opted to run only the longer distance at the Olympics, the same one as Miss Budd.

Geoff Parsons, having been left out of Britain's Olympic team, should have embarrassed the selectors with a British record of 2.26 metres in the high jump.

Mrs Smith's record

Joyce Smith warmed up for the first Olympic women's marathon in Los Angeles on August 5 when she set a course record time of 1hr 13min 06sec in the Cambridge half marathon yesterday.

Bradeley outstrips Cram's record

The records of Olympic runners, Steve Cram and Peter Elliott, were swept away in the wind and rain at the English Schools Championships sponsored by the National Dairy Council, at Thurrock, Essex, on Saturday.

Clifton Bradeley, a student of psychology and human biology from Stoke, aged 19, broke Cram's five-year-old record of 3min 46.02sec, in the senior boys' 1,500 metres final, with 3.45.90. David Gerrard, aged 15, from Stanford-le-Hope, Essex, lowered Elliott's record of 1.52.02 in the intermediate boys' 800 metres final, setting a new record by one fifth of a second.

Bradley was elated at his success, as he had gone out not just to win [illegible] but to break Cram's record. "I wanted to leave something to be remembered by", Bradeley said. "I [illegible] wait until the last lap and [illegible] win with my finishing [illegible] the pace was so slow in the first [illegible] I went it alone after 400 [illegible]."

Bradeley, who clocked 3.42.03 earlier this year, is a former winner of the intermediate boys' 1,500 metres. He said: "I have improved steadily each year but this year I have come on even [illegible] than I could have hoped".

JUNIOR GIRLS: 1,500 metres: S Parker (Cheshire), 4min 35.20sec. Discus: M Morgan (Middlesex), 31.44m. Shot: J Suttle (Kent), 12.71. 800m: S Davenport (Lincs), 2.13. 75m Hurdles: A Parker (Suffolk), 11.20. 200m: S Burbidge (W Yorks), 25.40. 1500m: S Earnshaw (S Yorks), 12.50. Javelin: S Rowbotham (W Yorks), 34.16. 4x100m: Greater Manchester, 49.70.
INTERNATIONAL GIRLS: Javelin: K Lisbon (Essex), 48.34. 400m: J Howell (Notts) 55.50. 400m hurdles: H Price (Warwicks), 1.03.40. High Jump: D Marti (Surrey), 1.79. 80m Hurdles: D Colford (Wilts), 11.20. 200m: L Hall (Notts), 24.40. 100m: S Dolby (Notts), 12.00.
Discus: C Bradley (Berks), 47.68. 1,500m: B Smyth (Sussex), 4.26.10. Long Jump: M Cheetham (Mersey), 6.37. 800m: L Robinson (W Midlands), 2.12.20. 4x100m: Notts, 47.10.
SENIOR GIRLS: 1,500m: E Lyon (Som), 4.20.20 (championship record). 400m Hurdles: L Elliott (Lancs), 59.60 (championship record). Long Jump: J Mulliner (Salop), 6.26. 200m: S Jacobs (Berks), 23.40. 400m: E Spencer (Hants), 55.30. 800m: D Edwards (Greater Manchester), 2.05.70 (championship record). 100m: S Burke (Surrey), 11.90. 100m Hurdles: S Gunnell (Essex), 13.80. Javelin: C Garside (S Yorks), 47.42. 4x100m: Essex, 46.70.
JUNIOR BOYS: 800m: M Alford (Wilts), 2.00.03. Discus: J Carty (W Midlands), 42.78. High Jump: E Gitting (Hants), 1.75. Javelin: C Adel (W Yorks), 48.68. 1,500m: S Mollison (Durham), 4.09.10. 80m hurdles: D Colford (Wilts), 11.20. 100m: J Nixon (W Midlands), 11.30. 200m: P Bartley (W Midlands), 23.20. 400m: P Roberts (Surrey), 52.30. 4x100m: W Midlands, 45.70.
INTERMEDIATE BOYS: 400m: G Patterson (Cumbria), 48.50. 1,500m steeplechase: D Catton (Essex), 4.19.50. 800m: D Gerard (Essex) 1.52.00 (championship record). Long Jump: N Riley (W Midlands), 7.02. 400m hurdles: T Haynes (Surrey), 55.10. 200m: M Adams (London), 22.40. 100m: R Bosler (Derbys), 11.00. 100m hurdles: B St Louis (London), 13.40. Shot: S Williams (Middx), 16.10. Discus: M Symonds (Oxford), 51.28. 1,500m: J Boakes (Sussex), 3.52.60 (championship record). 3,000m: S Fury (Kent), 8.38.10. 4x100m: London, 42.90.
SENIOR BOYS: Shot: C Ellis (Avon) 18.13. 1,500m: C Bradeley (Staffs), 3.45.90 secs (championship record). 400m: D Lake (London), 47.90. 400m hurdles: A Abrahams (Durham) 53.50. 2,000m steeplechase: J Hartigan (W Midlands), 5.42.20 (championship record). 100m: P Keeble (Herts), 10.60. 800m: P Rowbotham (Kent), 1.54.60. 200m: R Ashby (Beds), 21.50. High jump: B Morrison (W Midlands), 2.20. Triple jump: J Edwards (Devon) 15.01. 100m hurdles: J Ridgeon (Suffolk), 13.90. 4x100m: London, 42.00.

ROAD RUNNING

CAMBRIDGE: Half marathon: 1, R Treadwell, 64min 52sec; 2, R Lunnon, 65:36; 3, G Tuck, 65:42. Team: 1, Aldershot, 13 pts. Women: 1, J Smith, 73:6.
POOLE: 10 kilometres: 1, M Gratton, 29min 33sec; 2, P Ankapeace, 29:38; 3, J Boyes, 29:53. Team: 1, Leicester, 12 pts. Women: 1, A Gooderham, 34:32.

EQUESTRIANISM

A curate's egg kind of display by Britain

By Jenny MacArthur

The British Olympic team finished a disappointing fourth out of five in yesterday's Nations' Cup at Hickstead sponsored by Everest Double Glazing, but Ronnie Massarella, the team manager, said he was still optimistic about their chances of winning a medal at Los Angeles.

The cup was won by the powerful West Germans fielding three of their Olympic team members. They finished half a point ahead of the French who had their full Olympic squad. The Australians showed the benefit of the training they have received from Ted Edgar when they finished third.

Only John Whitaker on Ryan's Son and David Bowen on Boysie produced clear rounds for Britain. Massarella said afterwards: "Naturally I am disappointed to finish last but one at Hickstead but as an overall team performance it was good in parts and bad in parts." He said that Overton Amanda, ridden by Michael Whitaker, had now had fourteen outings and until Hickstead had not knocked a fence down. "We took a gamble on keeping her up continuously until Hickstead, she's obviously a little tired now and will go home to rest for a week before returning to Hickstead for a final team practice before departure for Los Angeles on July 29."

[illegible] which Massarella [illegible] are that [illegible] ridden by John [illegible] will have [illegible] in time for Los Angeles. On the other two team members, David Bowen and Steven Smith, Massarella said "It was Boysie's first big outing since he sustained a minor injury three weeks ago. He went exceptionall well today – the boy (Bowen) rode him brilliantly in the second round. Steven Smith has improved all the time since Spain in May and I thought his second round was very [illegible] remember that [illegible]

[illegible] on [illegible] with King [illegible] with John [illegible]

Only John Whitaker [illegible] reliable and much loved Ryan's Son went clear for Britain. His brother, Michael, and Steven Smith with Shining Example collected eight faults. David Bowen with Boysie had four. All three knocked down the final fence, a white oxer which caught out many of the riders. The French were looking good after a clear round from Eric Navet on J't adore followed by Frederic Cottier with Flambeau C on four faults and Philippe Rozier, son of the team trainer, with four and half on Jiva.

Disaster struck their fourth rider, Pierre Durand, aged 29, a qualified solicitor whose normally reliable horse Jappeloup stopped at the rustic palisades giving Durand a nasty fall. An ambulance rushed to the scene but there was no apparent injury. The horse and rider were reunited and bravely back to jump [illegible] to be eliminated [illegible] within 60 [illegible] West [illegible] the [illegible] collected [illegible] with [illegible] the [illegible] count [illegible] fourth to [illegible] and showed [illegible] achieving a [illegible]

EVEREST DOUBLE GLAZING [illegible]: 1, West Germany 8; 2, France [illegible] 18.
EVEREST DOUBLE GLAZING GRAND PRIX: 1, Everest For Ever (Edgar) 0 in 39.47; 2, J'adore (E Navet, France) 0 in 40.40; 3, Livius (P Luther, WG) 0 in 42.58.
STANDINGS IN THE PRESIDENT'S CUP AFTER HICKSTEAD: 1, West Germany 33; 2, Switzerland 26; 3, France 24.5; 4, Great Britain 22
Friday night's late results
EVEREST DOUBLE GLAZING TROPHY: 1, Everest Radius (N Skelton) clear 43.76secs.; 2, Merano (U Meyer-Zu-Bexten, WG) clear 44.21; 3, Hopscotch (J Whitaker) clear 45.77.



[illegible] in, epitomizing power: Bank Strike and Trevor [illegible] (photograph: Chris Cole).

Olympic reserve runs out when well ahead

By a Special Correspondent

[illegible] Britain's Olympic non-travelling [illegible] David Green, on Gucci, was [illegible] to have a runout at the [illegible] when he was well [illegible] the intermediate [illegible] Stowe Horse Trials. This [illegible] Alexandra Ramus, from [illegible] winner on her Spy [illegible]

[illegible] finished on the [illegible] second place [illegible] a horse which [illegible] future – the [illegible] Distinctive, which [illegible] yearling. Phillips [illegible] weekend riding three other [illegible] and [illegible] with his novice [illegible].

Four [illegible] twenty-six horses competed [illegible] event run in [illegible] of Stowe School [illegible] second year, it [illegible] lished its place in the [illegible].

RESULTS: Antico Intermediate [illegible] Miss A Ramus, Spy Story [illegible] Phillips, Distinctive (Range Rover [illegible]) Miss V Ashbourne, Meistersinger [illegible] Intermediate Eight: 1, Miss A Taylor [illegible] Cricket III, 42; 2, Mr T Calkin, Dreamy [illegible]; 3, Mr R Allen, Dickon, 25. Open Intermediate Nine: 1, Miss S Moore, Stan Friday, 43; 2, [illegible] G Anslee, Printers Devil, 50; 3, Miss [illegible] Sainsbury, Nassan, 52. Open Intermediate [illegible]: 1, Miss B Ensten, Bardini, 50; 2, Miss S [illegible]worth, Silversion, 56; 3, Miss C [illegible] Another Fred, 57.

ROWING

Nottingham confirm lightweight potential

By Jim Railton

The centre piece of the national rowing championships at the Holme Pierrepont course in Nottingham yesterday was the men's lightweight section, with selection for the world lightweight championships in Montreal hinging on the results. Britain have crews in these events with medal potential, and the coxless fours final between Nottingham County, the Henley winners, and a talented combined crew from Cambridge University, Imperial College, London, and Leander, proved the point.

The local county crew were the world lightweight silver medal winners last year, but were beaten at Nottingham some weeks ago by the composite crew, who also won in Lucerne.

Yesterday final was a classic encounter with the Nottingham four taking a canvas in the first 250 metres, and given a foot or two either way the crews remained locked until the last quarter of the race. The London-based crew threatened throughout, but could just not raise their rate, and Nottingham lengthened in the last 500 metres and were just under a length ahead as they crossed the line to pick up their tickets for Montreal.

Another medal hope, John Melvin, the world lightweight silver medal holder, rowed home with almost five lengths to spare over Steve Simpole of the Lea Club in Hackney. To complete the lightweight team designat Cusack and Chilmaid hads three lengths to spare in the double sculls and the Hammersmith-based eight were also in a class of their own.

Vesta closed their season with a fine win in the Whitbread 500 metres sprint

Men's lightweight
(2000m unless stated)
DOUBLE SCULLS: 1, London-Wallingford 6.45.36; 2, Bewdley 6:54.35, 3, Reading 7:01.73
SINGLE SCULLS: 1, J Melvin (London RC), 7:15.8; 2, S Simpole (Lea) 7:25.17; 3, G Pratt (Kingston), 7:25.20.
COXLESS FOURS: 1, Notts County A, 6.19.99; 2, London Combination, 6:21.93; 3, Notts County B, 6:43.94.
EIGHTS: 1, Evesham Combination, 6:13 65, 2, Lea, 6:24.34, 3, Leander 6:27.25.

Men's Heavyweight
(2000m unless stated)
COXED FOURS: 1, Molesey, 6.56.80, 2, Tideway Scullers, 6.58.38; 3, London University, 6.58.90.
DOUBLE SCULLS: 1, London RC, 7.07.22; 2, Maidenhead 7.14.72; 3, Llandaff, 7.16.86.
COXLESS PAIRS: 1, Cambridge University Molesey, 7.22.77; 2, Wallingford, 7.40.74; 3, Evesham, 7.45.35.
SINGLE SCULLS: 1, A Ross (Thames) 8.03.36; 2, F Moesop (Kingston), 8.09.73; 3, R Ferris (Tideway Scullers), 8.10.40.
COXED PAIRS: 1, Lea, 8.22.24; 2, Nottingham Britannia, 8.22.11.
COXLESS FOURS: 1, London University Tyrian, 6.43.51; 2, Molesey, 6.47.30; 3, London University, 6.48.52.
QUADRUPLE SCULLS: 1, Quintin, 6.46.19; 2, Evesham, 6.47.38; 3, Agecroft, 6.56.05.
EIGHTS: 1, Leander, 6.22.09; 2, London University, 6.24.66; 3, Leicester Vesta, 6.28.13.
500M SPRINT
1, Vesta, 1.20.34; 2, Leander, 1.21.51; 3, Molesey 1.23.06.

Women
1,500m unless stated
COXED FOURS: 1, London University, 5 min [illegible] sec; 2, Clydesdale/Glasgow, 5:32.74; 3, [illegible] 5:34.65.
[illegible] SCULLS: 1, Birmingham/Pengwern, [illegible] of Cambridge, 5:52.08; 3, York [illegible]
[illegible]: 1, Abingdon/Borough Road, [illegible] 3, Derby/Nottingham [illegible]
[illegible]: 1, [illegible] (Reading), [illegible]
[illegible] 2, London [illegible]; 3, Lightweight Combo [illegible]

TENNIS: SWEDEN BEAT PARAGUAY WITHOUT WILANDER, AND CZE[illegible]

Australians to face US in last f[illegible]

Mark Edmondson and Paul McNamee gave Australia an unbeatable 3.0 lead over Italy yesterday in the Davis Cup world group quarter-finals.

They maintained their unbeaten Davis Cup doubles record by defeating Gianni Ocleppo and Claudio Panatta 3-6, 7-5, 6-4, 6-3 in Brisbane.

Australia's opponents in the semi-finals will be the United States, who opened up a winning 3-0 lead over Argentina at Atlanta, Georgia.

The other quarter-final victors are Czechoslovakia, who lead France 3-1, and Sweden, who beat Paraguay 4-1 despite the absence of the injured Mats Wilander.

ATLANTA: United States lead Argentina 3-0 (US names first: J McEnroe bt J Clerc 6-4, 6-0, 6-2; J Connors bt M Jaite 6-3, 6-4, 10-8; J McEnroe and P Fleming bt J Clerc and M Jaite 7-5, 4-6, 6-3, 6-1).
HRADEC KRALOVE: Czechoslovakia lead France 3-1 (Czech names first: I Lendl lost to H Leconte 3-6, 6-8, 4-6; T Smid bt G Forget 6-4, 2-6, 3-6, 6-1, 6-4; P Slozil and T Smid bt H Leconte and P Portes 6-2, 5-7, 7-5, 4-6, 6-2; I Lendl bt G Forget 11-9, 6-4, 6-2).
BRISBANE: Australia lead Italy 3-0 (Australian names first: P Cash bt C Panatta [illegible] 6-3, 6-4; J Fitzgerald bt G Ocleppo 6-3, [illegible] 6-1; M Edmondson and P McNamee [illegible] Ocleppo and C Panatta 3-6, 7-5, 6-4, 6-3.
BASTAD: Sweden bt Paraguay 4-1 (Swedish names first: H Sundstrom bt V Pecci 6-3, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4; A Jarryd bt F Gonzalez 6-3, 6-2, 6-4; A Jarryd and S Edberg lost to V Pecci and F Gonzalez 2-6, 6-8, 6-4, 1-6; H Sundstrom bt F Gonzalez 6-3, 6-1, 6-2; A Jarryd bt O Napout 6-3, 6-0.
EUROPEAN ZONE A: Austria lead USSR 2-0 (in Yurmala).
EUROPEAN ZONE B: Spain lead Ireland 3-0 (in Virgo) (Spanish names first: J Aguilera bt M Doyle 6-3, 6-4, 6-3; E Sanchez bt S Sorenson 6-3, 6-0, 6-4; S Casal and E Sanchez bt M Doyle and S Sorenson 6-4, 6-0, 6-4. Belgium are tied 1-1 with Hungary (in Brussels).

Retriever has the last word

By Lewine Mair

After defeating Jonathon Smith 7-6, 7-6 in the final of the Scottish championship, sponsored by Ford, at Craiglockhart, Steve Denton exclaimed that his week as number one seed had helped him to understand what John McEnroe went through all the time.

In truth, the atmosphere in the final itself could scarcely have been more friendly, with both players enjoying the aftermath of that moment in the second set when, after they thought they had heard Denton's forehand being called out, it transpired that the relevant yelp had come not from a linesman, but a watching retriever.

Smith, who lost the first tie-break 2-7 and the second 4-7 after having earlier had three points to clinch the second set, served particularly well.

Lea Antonoplis' greater weight of shot paved the way for her win over Lorrayne Gracie, of Lancashire. Miss Gracie was not serving quite well enough to stay with her usual serve volley game, and, though she did well to get back from 2-5 to 5-5 in the first set, she ultimately went down 5-7, 1-6.

Borg back in action

Stuttgart (Reuter) – Bjorn Borg returns to Grand Prix tennis this week after 16 months in semi-retirement. The Swedish multi-millionaire, aged 28, who won five Wimbledon and six French Open titles before retiring in March 1983, makes his reappearance here in a tournament which includes Kevin Curren, of South Africa, who is top seed, and Henri Leconte of France, who beat Borg in his last Grand Prix appearance at the Monte Carlo Open in 1983.

Since his loss to Leconte, Borg has confined his public tennis appearances to exhibition matches. Lennart Bergelin, Borg's coach and mentor, told tournament director Bernd Nusch that his Swedish charge had trained intensively in the past month for his comeback.

Bergelin said he had no worries about Borg's fitness and racket ability. "It's now up to him to come to terms with the hard school of a tournament week," he added.

Nusch says Borg's appearance here has caused a heavy demand for tickets. "We are counting on record crowds," he said.

● Bastad (AFP) – Mats Wilander, forced through injury to miss Sweden's Davis Cup quarter-final against Paraguay here at the weekend, has pulled out of both the Olympic demonstration tournament, and the Swedish Open which begins today. He has won the Open in the last two years.



Borg: hard training

POLO

Southfield move nearer place in Gold Cup final

By John Watson

The first and most crucial of the three league matches for the Texaco-sponsored British Open championship, which were played off at Cowdray Park, Sussex over the weekend, Southfield, aggregating 20 goals on handicap, defeated Tramontana, a 22-goal squad, by 13 goals to six.

Up to last Saturday those two teams stood equal, top of league one, with two wins each. Now Southfield, who proved a much better-balanced and coordinated team, are almost certain to be Gold Cup finalists.

Their Spanish-American number three has never looked, to British eyes, in better ball control, or more hand-in-glove with his quick number two, Alan Kent, than on Saturday, while at one and back, respectively, Yeoman (who scored four spectacular goals) and Jamison were marking their opposite numbers like leeches.

Yesterday – on the Lawns ground, made nicely resilient by the recent spate of showers – Guy Wildenstein's team, Les Diables Bleus, defeated Kouros.

Les Diables, being slow to combine and giving away two penalty goals, and Max Peña, playing magnificently, Kouros led 4-2 at treading-in time. But from the moment Les Diables' 10-goal Mexican number three, Memo Gracida, rode on astride his English thoroughbred, Space, in the fourth chukka, his squad began to display the team-work for which they have become renowned.

SOUTHFIELD: 1, D Yeoman (3), 2, A Kent (7), 3, O Rinehart (7). Back, D Jamison (3).
TRAMONTANA: 1, A Embiricos (2), 2, G Thomas (6), S Gracida (9). Back, M Brown (5).
LES DIABLES BLEUS: 1, G Wildenstein (3), 2, R Gonzalez (5), 3, M Gracida (10). Back, HRH The Prince of Wales (4).
KOUROS: 1, S Harper (4), 2, S Tomlinson (4), 3, M Peña (7). Back, O Ellis (5).

YACHTING

Welcome French influx

By John Nicholls

Cowes was enlivened during the weekend by the presence of 33 French yachts competing in the Tour de France a la Voile. Quite how Cowes can be included in a Tour de Franch may not be clear, perhaps the old place is still the centre of the yachting world after all.

Anyway, there were, having arrived from Caen during the early hours of Saturday morning at the end of the third leg of their tour. This unique event started in Dunkirk last week and will end at Menton in the Mediterranean on August 15. The leg across the Spanish border will be completed by road.

In order that the event is not dominated by works teams, the identical one - design yachts are leased to cities and towns who then have to supply crews. Each boat must use at least 21 different crew members during the tour - equivalent to three complete changes of crew. The total number of competitors taking part is well over 1,000.

There is a British crew supplied by the Royal Ocean Racing Club, supported by Champagne Mumm, in this year's tour, gaining useful experience although not so far shining in the race. Yesterday's race around the Solent buoys was won by the entry from Paris, with Bruno Trouble, the French America's Cup helmsman as a guest on board. The tour leaves Cowes today on the next leg to St Malo.

MOTOR RACING



Britain's Derek Bell (above) and West Germany's Stefan Bellof won the 1,000 kilometre endurance race in a factory-Porsche 956 yesterday at the Nuerburgring. The result means Bell, 42, and Bellof, 26, jump to 41 points and first place in the world championship ratings.

The competitors did not race the entire distance, however. Because of rain, the race was broken off after exactly six hours.

Belgium's Thierry Boutsen and England's David Hobbs, also in a Porsche, took second place

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

Third Test Match
HEADINGLEY: England v West Indies (11.0-6.00)
County Championship (11.0)
CARDIFF: Glamorgan v Somerset
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Essex
PORTSMOUTH: Hampshire v Lancashire
LORD'S: Middlesex v Yorkshire
NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Kent
TRENT BRIDGE: Nottingham v Worcestershire
THE OVAL: Surrey v Derbyshire
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Sussex
Women's International Match
WORCESTER: England v New Zealand
Other Match
DUBLIN: Ireland v Wales (1.0 to 7.0)
Minor Counties championship
Taft: Cheshire v Oxfordshire

OTHER SPORT

ATHLETICS: Combined Services v US & French Armed Forces (at RAF Cosford)
CROQUET: Open Championships (at Hurlingham)
GOLF: Open Championship: Final Qualifying Competitions (at Ladybank GC., Leven Links GC, Lundin GC. and Scotscraig GC.)
TENNIS: Frinton-on-Sea tournament

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE (Friday): New York Yankees 7, Kansas City Royals 1 (and 8-1); Baltimore Orioles 7, Chicago White Sox 5; Milwaukee Brewers 5, California Angels 4; Cleveland Indians 5, Texas Rangers 0; Detroit Tigers 5, Minnesota Twins 3; Toronto Blue Jays 6, Oakland Athletics 3; Boston Red Sox 8, Seattle Mariners 5; Saturday: New York Yankees 4, Kansas City Royals 1; Chicago White Sox 3, Baltimore Orioles 2; Toronto Blue Jays 2, Oakland Athletics 1; Cleveland Indians 5, Texas Rangers 0; California Angels 2, Milwaukee Brewers 1; Detroit Tigers 6, Minnesota Twins 5; Seattle Mariners 5, Boston Red Sox 4. National League (Friday): New York Mets 5, Atlanta Braves 4; Chicago Cubs 7, Los Angeles Dodgers 5; Montreal Expos 7, Cincinnati Reds 2; Philadelphia Phillies 7, Houston Astros 3; St Louis Cardinals 7, San Diego Padres 4; Pittsburgh Pirates 8, San Francisco Giants 2 (and 4-3). Saturday: New York Mets 7, Atlanta Braves 0; Pittsburgh Pirates 6, San Francisco Giants 2; Los Angeles Dodgers 8, Chicago Cubs 0; Montreal Expos 6, Cincinnati Reds 2; St Louis Cardinals 7, San Diego Padres 6; Philadelphia Phillies 4, Houston Astros 3.

CROQUET

HURLINGHAM: Doubles: First round: G, P N Healy and R M Hobbs wo J E Guest and A J Palmer scr; M N Avery and D K Openshaw bt D R Foulser and T Griffith +2, +4; G N Aspinall and S N Mulliner bt G W Noble and I G Vincent -opone 13 TP, +24, +26; R Bamford and C Barlow bt K E Jones and J O Walters +16, +15; I D Bond and M J Stevens bt D J Crocker and G C Roy -24, +3, +11; E Bell and J Rose bt W R D and Mrs W R D Wiggins +26, +21.

BOXING

MONTE CARLO: WBA Junior-Middleweight Championship Eliminator: Davey Moore (US) bt Wilfredo Benitez (P Rico) in second round.

CYCLING

GRENOBLE: Women's Tour de France 22km Time Trial: 1, H Hage (Neth), 44min 21sec; 2, C Waller (Fr), 7sec behind; 3, M Martin (US), 0:38; 4, C Lutz (Fr), 0:45; 5, M Havik (Neth), 0.56. British placings: 7, J Palmer, 1:09; 12, C Greenwood, 2:08; 24, L Garbett, 3:13; 28, P Strong, 3:47; 34, H Edwards, 4:19. Overall: 1, Hage 21hr 41min 45sec; 2, Martin 1:42 behind; 3, V Simonnet (Fr) 4:02; 4, B Wise-Steffan (US) 5:58; 5, D Schumway (US) 6:36. British placings: 7, Greenwood 9:31; 25, Strong 19:22; 26, Palmer 21:01; 30, Edwards 23:55; 34, Garbett 29:34.
TOUR DE COLORADO: 2km Time Trial Prologue: Men: 1, R Kiefel (US), 4min 38sec; 2, A Grewal (US), 44:41; 3, P Christiansson (Swe), 4:43. British placings: 8, N Martin, 4:47. Women: 1, M Canins, 5:11; 2, J Longo (Fr), 5:23; 3, C Carpenter (US), 5:24.

GOLF

WILLIAMSBURG: Anheuser-Busch classic: Third round leading scores: 197: W Wood, 63, 68, 66. 201: W Levi, 70, 63, 68. 202: C Strange, 65, 68, 69. 204: R Black, 69, 69, 66. 205: L Wadkins, 67, 71, 67; M Reid, 67, 71, 67; G Hallberg, 73, 64, 68. 207: V Heafner, 67, 72, 68; L Rinker, 69, 68, 70; T Simpson, 67, 70, 70; W Kratzert, 68, 67, 72. 208: M Bright, 68, 70, 70; J Sindelar, 67, 71, 70 (all US).
KANRA, Japan: Women's open: final leading scores: 286: T Ohsako, 71, 71, 73, 71. 288: A Hikage, 73, 72, 72, 71. 289: M Wakura, 76, 71, 69, 73; M Okada, 72, 74, 69, 74. 290: S Suzuki, 73, 73, 71, 73 (all Jap).

RUGBY LEAGUE

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: New Zealand 12, Great Britain 0.
TOUR MATCH: New Zealand Maoris 8, Great Britain 19.

RUGBY UNION

TOUR MATCH: Western Australia 0, New Zealand 72.

ROAD WALKING

KENDAL: RWA 50 kilometres championship: 1, P Blagg, 4hr 20min 31sec; 2, G Vale, 4:23:00; 3, B Graham, 4:24:16. Team: York Postal, 39 points. Women 10 kilometres: 1, G Birch, 50min 25sec; 2, L Millen, 50:51; 3, B Lupton, 51:29.

YACHTING

SOLENT POINTS RACES: Class one: 1, Whirlwind (N Lister); 2, Confusion (M Martell); 3, Fever (D Diehl). Class two: 1, Jacobite (S James); 2, Blue Point (J Burtin); 3, Kelly's Eye (D Jefferies). Class three: 1, Bathsheba (Sir M Laing); 2, Temeraire (A Sulmar); 3, Samsara (Madam O Tran van Dom). Class four: 1, Balthazar (I Macdonald-Smith); 2, Catch 22 (J Allenby); 3, Adrenalin (C Sandell and R Roper). Class five: 1, Diamond (P and E Sanders); 2, Tom Bombadil (P Gatrill); 3, Shaved Fish (S Keelin). Class six: 1, Rubber Duck (L Bankson); 2, Redcoat (Army Sailing Association); 3, Nazca (J Fitzet). Class seven: 1, Ville de Paris (D Kelly); 2, Angers [illegible] Maritime (R deBotmillau); 3, Europe [illegible]; 7, Britain (C Preston).

TENNIS

GSTAAD: Swiss Open: Semi-finals: B Teacher (US) bt J Higueras (Sp) 6-7, 6-3, 6-2; J Nyström (Swe) bt T Allan (Aus) 6-2, 7-5. Final: Nyström bt Teacher 6-4, 6-2.
NEWPORT, Rhode Island: Grand Prix tournament: (US unless stated): Quarter-finals: V Amritraj (India) bt M Mitchell 6-2, 7-5; L Shiras bt T Gullikson 7-6, 6-7. Semi-finals: T Amyotte bt J Sadri 7-6, 7-6; Amritraj bt Shiras 6-2, 6-3.
LE TOUQUET: Annie Soisbault International under-21 women's tournament: Final: united States bt Czechoslovakia 3-0 (US names first: G Rush bt O Jotavova 6-2, 6-1; D Spence bt A Holikova 6-2, 7-5; Rush and C Kuhlman bt Votavova and Holikova 6-2, 6-3.

Gloves off in court

Philadelphia (AP) – A hearing has been set for August 6 in a United States district court in a dispute between Larry Holmes, the world heavyweight champion, and Richard Hirschfield, a lawyer, over a contract for Holmes to meet Gerrie Coetzee, of South Africa. The undefeated Holmes, of Pennsylvania, is recognized as the International Boxing Federation champion and Coetzee the World Boxing Association champion.

Hirschfield is seeking an injunction to prevent Holmes from entering into a contract to meet Coetzee with any other promoter without giving Hirschfield the right of first refusal. Holmes wants to have a contract he signed with Hirschfield declared invalid on grounds that he did not know what he was signing.

RUGBY UNION

[illegible] by All Blacks

Western Australia 0
New Zealanders 72

Perth (Reuter) – The All Blacks scored 30 points in 15 minutes during a devastating second-half period as they romped to victory at Perry Lakes Stadium here yesterday. they were in irresistible form as they opened up in the second half after resolute tackling had restricted them to only 26 points in the first half.

In 10 minutes after half-time they ran in five tries to set up a score that added substance to their complaints about the moderate quality of the opposition they have met in warm-up games on the tour.

In the first half Western Australia mamaged to keep the All Blacks scoreless for two 17-minute periods; but they could not keep it up

Bruce Smith, on the wing, scored three of the All Blacks' total of 13 tries; but more telling statistics showed their domination of rucks and mauls, which they won by 51 to 10.

NEW ZEALAND: A Hewson; B Smith, R Deans W Taylor, B Fraser; W Smith, A Donald; G Braid, J Hobbs, M Shaw, G Whetton, A Anderson, J Ashworth, A Dalton, G Knight.
WESTERN AUSTRALIA: J Kninmonth; B Haining, L Hayes, B Wood, P Graham; A Clark W Crawford; P Rowan, P Lewis, P Richardson, M Washbourne, A Pearson, P Carter, P Liddle, R Dyhrberg.
Referee: D Kennedy (Sydney).

IN BRIEF

Decision on Strachan imminent

Manchester United expect to know this afternoon whether the Scottish international, Gordon Strachan, will be their player next season. Representatives from the three clubs involved in the dispute over his transfer from Aberdeen will face a UEFA committee in Zurich.

Strachan signed a four-year contract with United two months ago, when he was transferred for £500,000, but West German club, Cologne, claim the player signed a "letter of intent" to join them. Cologne will produce that letter as evidence at the hearing, where United will be represented by their chairman, Martin Edwards, and new director and solicitor, Maurice Watkins.

BOXING: Tim Witherspoon will make the first defence of his WBC heavyweight title on August 31, against undefeated Pinklon Thomas, also of the United States, in Las Vegas. Witherspoon, aged 26, won the title vacated by Larry Holmes when he beat Greg Page on March 9. Witherspoon has an 18-1 record.

RUGBY LEAGUE: A mother of two, Kathryn Hetherington, is the first woman to be elected to the RL council since it was formed in 1895, joining the 36 male members of the council, which makes all major decisions on the sport. She has been [illegible] represent Sheffield's new [illegible]

[illegible] Touch, ridden by [illegible] gained a narrow [illegible] over [illegible] (Paul Cook) [illegible] the £10,127 Hessen-Pokal at Frankfurt yesterday. Geoff Wragg, his trainer, hopes to run him in the Budweiser Million, at Arlington Park, Chicago, on August 26, provided there are no problems with quarantine.

TENNIS: The United States, competing for the first time, won the Annie Soisbault International Under-21 Women's team tournament, when they beat Czechoslovakia 3-0 in the final, in Le Toquet.

Strachan: transfer dispute

BOXING

Jones sets an awkward poser for 'Professor'

By Srikumar Sen Boxing Correspondent

The comeback trail of Sylvester Mittee, who returned to boxing six months ago after an absence of 18 months, is suddenly full of vistas. His five-round victory over Perico Fernandez, the Spanish champion, at the Bloomsbury Crest Hotel, London, on Saturday has earned him a Commonwealth welterweight title bout with Colin Jones, the world No 1 challenger.

Jones's manager, Eddie Thomas, who journeyed from Merthyr to see Frank Warren, Mittee's manager, said: "The board has been on to Colin for a long time to defend his Commonwealth title, so we thought that if by September we have not heard from McCrory about Colin's world title fight, we might as well take on Mittee."

That bout might appeal to the Bethnal Green boxer, who for the last two months has been acting as Jones's sparring partner and may well have worked out some way of beating the hardest man in the British ring. The thought of stepping into Jones's No 1 position in the world could prove a big temptation for Mittee.

Though Mittee may at first feel that he has nothing to lose and everything to gain, Warren would do well to stop and think for a moment. Few boxers are the same after being on the receiving end of a Jones left hook. No wonder McCrory has been taking his time over his defence against Jones.

Mittee's latest victory will give Warren plenty to capitalize on. It was a great improvement on the performance of the European champion, Gianfranco Rosi, of Italy, who was given a good fight by Fernandez over the distance a fortnight ago.

Mittee, who is known as "The Professor" because he uses big words and asks awkward questions, knew altogether too much for Fernandez. The first clout of the contest sent the Spaniard hurrying for the cover of his gloves and there he stayed throughout the bout, coming out once or twice to throw a couple of rights.

Mittee piled into him from all angles. After five rounds of such a monotonously one-sided affair, Mike Jacobs, the referee, stepped in to spare the Spaniard further punishment.

OTHER RESULTS: [illegible]

● Davey Moore (US) stopped Wilfred Benitez, the former WBA welterweight champion, in the second round of a 10-round middleweight contest in Monte Carlo on Saturday. Moore, the former WBA junior middleweight champion, knocked Benitez down with a right in the first round and Benitez never seemed to recover.

Thomas ready to back Pearce

By Srikumar Sen

The inability so far of the British Boxing Board of Control to recover from the French Boxing Federation the £20,000 purse and television money due to David Pearce, of Newport, for his European heavyweight title challenge in Limoges three months ago, has angered the boxing fraternity in Wales.

Eddie Thomas, Colin Jones's manager, revealed yesterday that he was thinking of becoming the British heavyweight champion's manager for the sole purpose of putting Pearce's case before the Boxing Board. Mr Thomas said: "I wrote to the board asking to represent Pearce at a hearing but they replied that I could not do so as I was not his manager. Fair enough. So I thought I might become his manager.

"I think it is disgraceful the way Pearce has been treated. Why has thhe board not been able to lay their hands on the money that, according EBU rules, had to be deposited with the French Federation before the fight in Limoges. If I became his manager I would engage the top QC in London to come to the hearing. I think the board should find the money for Pearce if they can't get it from the French and then pursue the matter with the French Federation."

Burt McCarthy, who used to be Pearce's manager was also determined yesterday to see that the boxer gets his money. "I am going to see the board on Monday to get to the bottom of the matter" Mr McCarthy said. "I cannot understand what has happened to the money which is kept in bond for just such an eventuality.

"I gather Jimmy Cable has not got his money either, although he appeared for another promoter, and I am going to speak to his manager, Doug Bidwell to see if he will make a joint representation with me to the board."

In fairness to the board it must be said that they have made strong representations to the French Federation and the European Boxing Union who at their recent meeting decided to take up the question with the French. What is alarming however, is that the French Federation have not yet paid Pearce and Cable out of the promoter's money taken into bond before the contest.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Britain outplayed by Kiwis

New Zealand 12
Great Britain 0

Auckland (Reuter) - Britain suffered their fourth Rugby League international defeat in a row when New Zealand held on to a halftime lead of 12-0 and cruised to an easy win on Saturday. The touring team, anxious to wipe out three ignominious defeats by Australia, started well, but they ran out of steam in wet conditions and were outplayed in the second half.

It took Britain 28 minutes to penetrate the New Zealand half after the start of the second period. Two opportunist tries by James Leuluai and Fred Ah Kuoi after 18 and 38 minutes gave New Zealand victory.

The British backs never threatened and they desperately missed stand-off Myler, who had pulled out two hours before the game with food poisoning.

Leuluai posed problems for Britain every time he touched the ball. He strode on to a well-timed pass from Sorensen to race past full-back Burke for the first try. Three minutes from half-time Ah Kuoi slipped ovr as Mumby and Burke both grasped at his legs.

SCORERS: New Zealand: Tries: Leuluai, Ah Kuoi; cons: Filipaina (2).
NEW ZEALAND: G Kemble; D O'Hara, J Leuluai, F Ah Kuoi, D Bell; O Filipaina, S Varley; K Tamati, H Tamati, D Sorensen, O Wright, K Sorensen, H McGahan.
GREAT BRITAIN: M Burke; D Drummond, G Schofield, K Mumby, E Hanley; T Myler, N Holding; D Hobbs, B Noble, B Case, A Goodway, C Burton, M Adams.

● Britain beat the New Zealand Maoris 19-8 in a rough match at the north island town of Huntly yesterday. The Maoris came out fighting but rarely threatened and the British side deserved their three try-to-one victory.

Scorers: Britain, tries: Foy, Flanagan, Beardmore; cons: Hanley (3); dropped goal: Gregory.
Maoris, try: Uluave; cons: Wright, pen: Wright.
BRITAIN: K Mumby; D Drummond, J Lydon, D Foy, J Basnett, J Joyner, A Gregory; K Rayne, K Beardmore, L Crooks, W Proctor, M O'Neill, T Flannagan.
MAORIS: N Wright, D Uluave, T Ropati, C Lovett, L Kupa, R O'Regan, G Katene, P Posa, T McGregor, A Murray, R Tuutu, R Miller, C Pine.

RIFLE SHOOTING

Young men make big hit at Bisley

By Our Rifle Shooting Correspondent

The Services shooting champions, chaired from the Bisley ranges on Saturday with their Queen's Medals after gruelling week of combat shooting, demonstrated clearly that this is the age of the young soldier, sailor or airman. Not one of the three Queen's medal winners was over 24, unlike the earlier years when champions tended to be in their thirties or even forties.

Youngest of all was Marine Colin Humphreys, of 42 Commando, who won the Royal Navy and Royal Marines Queen's Medal, beating last year's champion Leading Weapons Electrical Mechanic Chris Privett into second place by five points.

The Army Queen's Medal went to L/Cpl Nigel Scarboro, aged 23, of the Second Royal Anglian, although he was hard-pressed by one of the more senior, Cpl Mick Frape, of the First Royal Green Jackets, who was four points behind.

The oldest of the champions – at 24 – was Cpl John Prictor, of RAF Honington, runner-up last year, who reached the chair this time beating one of his seniors, Flt Sgt Adrian Kirtley (Kinloss) by two points.

It is impossible to compare the performances of the Queen's Medal winners because each service has a different style competition, but all of them will be competing during the next three days in the Service rifle events of the 115th National Rifle Association meeting.

RESULTS: Royal Navy and Royal Marines Queen's Medal: 1, Marine C Humphreys (42 Cdo) 962; 2, LWEM C Privett (HMS Liverpool) 957; 3, WOII A Wood (RMCTC) 953. Army Queen's Medal: 1, L/Cpl N Scarboro (2 R Anglian) 890; 2, Cpl M Frape (1 RGJ) 886; 3, L/Cpl D Rolph (1 R Anglian) 863. Young Officers' Cup: Lt H Howard-Allen (Guards Depot). Manchester Regiment Cup: Tpr S Reynolds (Lifeguards). Rifle Brigade Cup: Tpr T Brooke (Lifeguards). Second Goorkha Cup: (Infantry Championship): 1, Welsh Guards, 253; 2, Royal Anglian, 234; 3, 1 RGJ 228. RAF Queen's Medal: 1, Cpl J Prictor (Honington) 457; 2, Fl/Sgt A Kirtley, (Kinloss) 455; 3, Cpl K Nicholson (Lossiemouth) 438. NRA Meeting: Whitehead Challenge Cup (Match Rifle): 1, J A de Havilland (English VIII) 149/24/25/25/5/5; 2, J McAllister (NRCS) 149/24/25/25/5/4.

HOCKEY

Britain reign in Spain

By Sydney Friskin

Great Britain completed their tour of Barcelona yesterday with a 2-1 victory over Spain to reverse the result of the previous match played on Thursday. The big disappointment, however, was the refusal of Kenya to play against Britain on Saturday morning, particularly as Britain's first match in group B of the Olympic tournament in Los Angeles is against Kenya on July 30.

After arriving in Barcelona on Friday the Kenyans said that they were too tired to play the following day, and according to Avtar Singh, their coach, they had been invited by the Spanish Hockey Federation to play a few matches in Barcelona but that the game against Britain, arranged by Spain, had not been "cleared" by the Kenya Hockey Association and the Kenya Olympic Committee.

This statement appears to have deeper implications, coming in the wake of Upper Volta's withdrawal from the Olympic Games because of England's recent rugby tour of South Africa and the call to other African countries to withdraw because of Great Britain's intended presence in Los Angeles.

As matteres stand, however, the Kenya hockey team will play two matches against Spain, tomorrow and Wednesday and leave for Los Angeles by air on Saturday to join the rest of the Kenya Olympic contingent.

In yesterday's match Britain scored in the second half through Precious and Batchelor, Spain reducing the lead through Oliva.

RACING HERN DECIDES AGAINST RUNNING HEAD FOR HEIGHTS IN ASCOT'S KING GEORGE STAKES



Raami strides away from The Miller (right) and Macarthur's Head in Saturday's Scottish Derby at Ayr (Photo: Ed Byrne)

Cauthen cashes in on Carson's absence

By Michael Seely

Steve Cauthen will ride Sun Princess in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot on July 28. Speaking about his attempt to capture Britain's most important all-aged race for the fourth time with Sir Michael Sobell's winner of the 1983 Oaks and St Leger, Dick Hern, Sun Princess's trainer, said yesterday: "It doesn't look as though Willie Carson will be fit in time for Ascot or for Goodwood for that matter. So I've asked Cauthen to stand by. It's hard luck on the little fellow, particularly when things are going so well."

Hern reports Sun Princess to be in fine fettle for her fourth meeting with Time Charter. So far the score is 2-1 in favour of Henry Candy's mare. Sun Princess finished third to Time Charter in last year's Diamond Stakes and was also five lengths in arrears when runner-up in Epsom's Coronation Cup in June. The only time Sun Princess has beaten her rival was when the pair finished second and fourth, respectively, behind All Along in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at Longchamp last October.

The Royal trainer also said that Head for Heights would not after all join Sun Princess in the line-up at Ascot. "He won the Princess of Wales's Stakes well at Newmarket but the form may not be good enough," Hern said.

"I have decided to run the colt in the Prix de la Côte Normande at Deauville instead. It's a group two race and Head for Heights is suited by the conditions."

Hern concluded by saying that Morcon would miss the Sussex Stakes at Goodwood and be kept in reserve for the Benson and Hedges Gold Cup at York next month, but Straight Man, Saturday's impressive Magnet Cup winner might try to defy an 8lb penalty in the Extel Handicap at the big Sussex meeting.

Straight Man, Hern's fifth Magnet Cup winner was one of three winners that Cauthen rode for the West Ilsley trainer at York on Saturday. The others were Fortysecond Street in the Fishergate Handicap and Bespoke in the Fountains Maiden Stakes. The American rider had also won the Harp Lager Handicap on Persia for Bill Watts and his four-timer put him on the 61-winner mark for the season, two ahead of Lester Piggott, who had a double at Lingfield Park.

Another jockey in form was Pat Eddery, who rode Fitzpatrick to victory for his former employer, Peter Walwyn, and also second on Mizpah for Alan Jarvis. However, Eddery was beaten on The Miller, the odds-on favourite for the featured Scottish Derby. Vincent O'Brien's colt was no match for Raami, ridden by Tony Ives.

● Raft, one of Guy Harwood's former classic hopes, set foot on a racecourse for the first time in more than 11 months when he was galloped after racing at Salisbury on Saturday. Harwood, whose stable showed further signs of a return to form with a double at the Wiltshire course plans to give the colt his first race of the season either at Newbury on Saturday or at Goodwood the following week.

It was at Salisbury last August that Raft put up an impressive performance to win the Simonds Bitter Stakes, in which he broke the two-year-old course record. He had also won his only previous start.

Harwood also had encouraging news of Alphabatim, who finished a disappointing fifth in the Epsom Derby after wins in the Guardian Classic Trial at Sandown and Lingfield Derby Trial. He said: "The horse is very well and will run in the Geoffrey Freer Stakes at Newbury next month before going on to the St Leger."

Wagoner can keep Walwyn luck rolling

By Mandarin

Peter Walwyn, the Lambourn trainer, who won the Johnnie Walker Black Label Handicap at Ayr on Saturday with Fitzpatrick, should be on the mark at the Scottish course today with Wagoner, who can lift the Tennent Trophy.

Wagoner, who appreciates give in the ground, attempts his third victory in a row after fluent victories at Newmarket and Chester and should be ideally suited to today's distance, a mile and seven furlongs.

It is worth mentioning that at the Newmarket Craven meeting Wagoner, conceding 11lb, ran Henry Cecil's fine stayer, Prince of Peace, to half a length, with the eventual Ascot Gold Cup winner, Gildoran, well in arrears.

Wagoner will be opposed by Forward, who before his disappointing effort in the Northumberland Plate at Newcastle, had run a gallant second to Sikorsky in the Scarborough Stakes at Royal Ascot. John Dunlop's five-year-old, who never seems to get any respite from the handicapper, could prove a big danger, despite another hefty burden.

Walwyn also runs Doubleton in the St Quivox Maiden Stakes, but preference here is for the Jeremy Hindley trained Gilgit Polo, who ran a promising second to The Rotter at Newcastle recently. The third horse, Nadia Nerina, gave the form a lift with a victory at Lingfield Park on Saturday.

At Leicester, Ian Balding's Mailman escapes a penalty in the Belvoir Castle Handicap after landing an apprentices event at Haydock in good style earlier this month, and looks worth following, despite the claims of Garden Route.

Steve Cauthen, after his tremendous four winners at York on Saturday, should score at Windsor's evening meeting with Green Rock who is napped to gain her third victory in a row in the Southlea Stakes.

The Barry Hills-trained filly took some time to find her form after a promising fifth behind Miss Beaulieu in Goodwood's Lupe Stakes, but two easy wins at Brighton and Bath, subsequently, have confirmed her ability and she should have too much speed for Paul Cole's Tihama, who opened her account in fine style at the last Windsor meeting.

Another good bet at this popular venue is Bob Howe's Blowing Bubbles, in the Montrose Stakes. The Lewes-trained four-year-old makes a speedy reappearance after winning a competitive apprentices's event at Lingfield on Saturday and with that strong claimer, Tyrone Williams, in the saddle, should hold Lester Piggott's mount, Viceroy Lad, at today's weights.

Bill O'Gorman's Provideo, who goes from strength to strength as a two-year-old, can register his twelfth success of the season in the Woodland Stakes.

Two more group wins for Fabre

From Desmond Stoneham, Paris

André Fabre gained his second group win of the weekend and his fifteenth of the season, when the favourite, Mille Balles, landed a comfortable victory in the group three Prix Messidor at Maisons-Laffitte yesterday. Ridden by Freddie Head, Mille Balles finished a length ahead of Palace Music, with the filly Blue Bell Pearl, half a length away third in front of Pre Aux Clercs. Recently bought by his present owner Enzo di Nella for $400,000. Mille Balles will now be aimed at the Prix Jacques le Marois at Deauville.

The English challenger, Bold Indian, and George Duffield made much of the running but they were a spent force by the furlong marker and eventually faded to finish in ninth position. Patrick Biancone, the trainer of Palace Music, said that last year's Arc de Triomphe heroine, All Along, will reappear in the Prix de Pomone at Deauville before contesting the Prix Foy, the Arc and then the Breeders Cup.

Fabre's other group win came on Saturday when Cariellor put up a spectacular performance when he gave weight and a thrassing to his nine rivals in the group two Prix Eugene Adam at Saint-Cloud. Cariellor was eased before defeating Ahohoney by five lengths with Long Mick a head away third just in front of the favourite, truculent.

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GOING: good
Draw: 7f and over, low numbers best

2.30 BURNS SELLING STAKES (2-y-o: £869: 5f) (7 runners)

1 200301 JOHN FRESH (D) (T Taylor) J Berry 9-2 .... K Darley 4
3 4041 WINNING MARK (D) (A Wilkinson) Denys Smith 9-2 .... M Fry 1
4 3210 KRISLIN (D) (J Peers) R Stubbs 8-13 .... D Nicholls 5
5 000 BALLYARRY (R Manners) C H Bell 8-11 .... N Carlisle 2
7 00 ALDORO (Mrs R Sharratt) E Weymes 8-8 .... S Webster 6
10 0200 IMOGEN (B) (Mrs P Rohan) P Rohan 8-8 .... E Hide 7
13 4 TORMAUKIN (P Davill) M H Easterby 8-8 .... M Birch 3
1983: Frieston Flier 8-11 J Balding (6-1) A Balding 6 ran.
7-4 Tormaukin, 3 Krislin, 9-2 Winning Mark, 6 John Fresh, 8 Imogen, 12 others.

3.0 TOM O'SHANTER MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £1,180: 6f) (15)

1 44 ARISTOCRAT VELVET (Eversure Ltd) J Etherington 9-0 .... P Robinson 13
3 BEV'S BOY (D Clarke) J Wilson 9-0 .... J Matthias 1
4 BOLD HAZE (B) (Ld Granard) J W Watts 9-0 .... N Connorton 11
6 0 CASTLE TWEED D James-Duff) A Stewart 9-0 .... G Duffield 5
7 00 DREYFUS (Miss A Whitfield) D Sasse 9-0 .... D Mckay 12
10 24 GUNFIGHTER (BF) (P Savill) C Nelson 9-0 .... B Thomson 15
12 03 JOHN GILPIN (Mrs A Banks) R Stubbs 9-0 .... D Nicholls 14
13 023242 KING'S BADGE (Miss C Cockbill) T Craig 9-0 .... R P Elliott 2
14 0 KNITWIT (F Thyne) C H Bell 9-0 .... N Carlisle 6
15 2223 NAVARRO SECONDO (B) (G Bernacchi) J Berry 9-0 .... K Darley 9
18 00 SAMFEN (B) (F Ballard) M H Easterby 9-0 .... M Birch 10
19 32 SARDAR (BF) (Mrs K Brassey) K Brassey 9-0 .... J Mercer 3
21 00 SUNDOWN SKY (D Parkinson) E Weymes 9-0 .... S Webster 8
24 9 NOBILIS (K Abdulla) W Elsey 8-11 .... C Dwyer 4
25 SHAF (Prince Yazid Saud) S Norton 8-11 .... J Lowe 7
1983: Kayus 9-0 J Matthias (evens fav) G Hunter 7 ran.
5-2 Sardar, 3 Castle Tweed, 4 Aristocrat Velvet, 7 Gunfighter, 8 Shaf, 10 Bold Haze, 12 John Gilpin, 16 others.

3.30 TENNENT TROPHY (handicap: £9,192: 1m 7f) (10)

1 222320 FORWARD (C,D) (BF) (N Hunt) J Dunlop 5-9-8 .... B Thomson 4
2 2220-20 VOYANT (D Adams) B Hobbs 5-9-7 .... E Hide 2
3 20-0211 WAGONER (A Oldrey) P Walwyn 4-8-4 .... J Mercer 6
4 000-004 CENTROLINE (Abingley) C A Bell 6-8-8 .... J Lowe 8
5 030140 NEORION (Capt M Lemos) C Brittain 4-8-8 .... P Robinson 9
7 1143-10 CLANRALLIER (C) (R Sangster) J W Watts 4-8-0 .... N Connorton 3
8 d104-00 BUCKLOW HILL (N Nuttall) J FitzGerald 7-7-13 .... G Duffield 1
9 330120 FRASASS (C) (D Chapman) D Chapman 7-7-7 .... N Carlisle 10
10 0-00000 TURKOMAN (B) (F Sasse) D Sasse 5-7-7 .... D Mckay 7
11 040202 BEN'S BIRDIE (C) (Mrs A Tompkins) M Tompkins 4-7-7 .... G Dickie 7 5
1983: Forward 4-9-8 M Birch (10-1) J Dunlop 11 ran.
11-4 Wagoner, 7-2 Forward, 9-2 Bucklow Hill, 6 Voyant, 8 Neorion, 10 Centroline, 12 Clanrallier, 20 others.

FORM: BUCKLOW HILL (8-0) 9th beaten 8½l to Karadar (9-10) with NEORION (8-10) 10th beaten 10l and BEN'S BIRDIE (7-7) 13th beaten 12l and FORWARD (9-8) 17th beaten 16l 19 ran. Newcastle 2m h'cap firm June 30. WAGONER (9-9) won 2½l from Commonty (7-3) 11 ran. Newmarket CENTROLINE (8-7) 4th beaten 10½l to Jupiter Island (9-0) 8 ran. Newbury 1m 5f stks good May 19. CLANRALLIER (8-3) 6th beaten 7l to Bishops Ring (8-7) 6 ran. Haydock 1m 4f h'cap firm July 7. FRASASS (10-0) 8th beaten 7½l to Jacinto Times (7-11) 7 ran. Edinburgh 1m 7f h'cap good to firm June 18. BEN'S BIRDIE latest (7-2) 2nd beaten neck to Fitzpatrick (8-11) with VOYANT (10-0) 3rd beaten 1½l 8 ran. Ayr 1m 5f h'cap good July 14.
Selection: BUCKLOW HILL.

4.0 TURNBERRY HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,211: 1m 3f) (8)

1 304123 PATTER (K Abdulla) W Elsey 9-11 .... R Fahey 7 6
6 30-0103 RECORD HARVEST (Shaikh Mohammed) M H Easterby 8-12 .... M Birch 5
7 000318 SHARP AND READY (C) (Elisha Holding) A Ingham 8-8 .... C Dwyer 7
10 3-2412 OLIVIAN (BF) (I Southcott) J W Watts 8-8 .... N Connorton 2
11 0-20023 MEESON GRANGE (J Wilcox) J Berry 8-5 .... K Darley 3
14 000-01 STATE BUDGET (L Budgen) W Musson 8-3 .... A Mackay 8
15 20-0040 NONPAREIL (S Wong) B Hanbury 8-2 .... P Robinson 4
16 04-000 CLUNK CLICK (E Mack) J Hindley 8-2 .... B Thomson 1
1983: Superfluous 8-4 G Duffield (8-1) M Prescott 5 ran.
15-8 Olivian, 3 Record Harvest, 4 Sharp And Ready, 11-2 Patter, 8 State Budget, 12 Clunk Click, 16 others.

FORM: PATTER (9-7) 3rd beaten 3½l to Old Hubert (8-4) 5 ran. Edinburgh 1m [illegible] h'cap firm July 2. RECORD HARVESTER (8-5) 3rd beaten 3½l to Tapping Wood (8-12) 12 ran. Doncaster 1m 2f h'cap good to soft May 26. SHARP AND READY (8-4) 5th beaten 3½l to Trumps (8-9) 8 ran. Lingfield 7f 140yd h'cap firm June 30. OLIVIAN (8-5) 2nd beaten hd to Herradura (9-1) 1[illegible] ran. Doncaster 1m 4f app'ce h'cap firm July 29. STATE BUDGET (9-3) won 2½l from Hal's Prince (8-12) 10 ran. Redcar 1m 1f sell h'cap firm June 28. NONPAREIL (8-11) 4th beaten 2½l to SHARP AND READY (9-0) 10 ran. Ayr 1m mdn stks good June 23. NONPAREIL latest (8-11) 5th beaten 20l to August (9-0) 6 ran. Ayr 1m 2f mdn stks good Julyu 14.
Selection: OLIVIAN.

4.30 ST QUIVOX MAIDEN STAKES (£1,201: 1m (9)

1 323400 SON OF RAJA (B Peters) J Bethell 4-9-5 .... J Matthias 5
4 000003 MISHA (Capt J Wilson) J Wilson 4-9-2 .... K Darley 3
9 2-000 DOUBLETON (B) (P McCalmont) P Walwyn 3-8-8 .... J Mercer 1
10 8 GERE (Sir T Sykes) W Elsey 3-8-8 .... C Dwyer 4
11 00-0002 GILGIT POLO (BF) (R Tikkoo) J Hindley 3-8-8 .... B Thomson 7
13 000-000 MYSTIC BOY (B) (W Young) E Carr 3-8-8 .... NON–RUNNER 6
19 202 DON'T BE SILLY (Mrs P Sudder) Denys Smith 3-8-5 .... M Fry 9
22 NIJINSKY SENTIMENT (Yazid and Ahmed) S Norton 3-8-5 .... J Lowe 2
24 04-0 THECCAN (I Southcott) J W Watts 3-8-5 .... N Connorton 8
1983: Saratino 3-8-8 J Matthias (2-1 fav) I Balding 10 ran.
6-4 Gilgit Polo, 7-2 Don't Be Silly, 6 Theccan, 8 Doubleton, Son Of Raja, 12 Nijinsky Sentiment, Misha, 20 others.

5.0 ROZELLE HANDICAP (£1,973: 5f) (7)

1 000000 CHAPLIN'S CLUB (D) (P Savill) R Thompson 4-9-11 .... B Thomson 6
2 041110 CARPENTER'S BOY (D) (Carpenters Paints) Mrs G Reveley 6-9-9 (7 ex) .... D Leadbitter 7 2
3 4312131 KING CHARLEMAGNE (D) (Mrs I Ryles) Mrs G Reveley 5-9-7 (7 ex) .... M Hindley 5 5
5 0-00000 FAIRGREEN (D) (D Chapman) D Chapman 6-9-0 .... D Nicholls 1
6 000012 RUSSIAN WINTER (C,D,B) (Calmac Ltd) A W Jones 9-8-13 .... C Dwyer 3
7 220306 PRIONSAA (C) (Dowager Lady Bute) W H Williams 6-8-8 .... E Hide 4
8 0-24004 MEL MIRA (B) (BF) (T Craig) T Craig 4-8-8 .... A Mackay 7
1983: Russian Winter 8-9-2 T Rogers (6-1) A W Jones 9 ran.
5-4 King Charlemagne, 11-4 Carpenters Boy, 9-2 Mel Mira, 6 Russian Winter, 10 Chaplin's Club, 16 others.

WINDSOR

GOING: good to firm
Draw: high numbers best

6.35 GREENACRE MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £941: 5f) (18 runners)

3 HADEER M Stoute 9-0 .... W R Swinburn 2
4 0 KELLSAPAUL (B) S Matthews 9-0 .... B Jago 15
5 METEORASKRA B Hanbury 9-0 .... T Ives 13
6 OPAL SPRING H Collingridge 9-0 .... A Barclay 6
8 PROCESSIONARY D Haydn Jones .... B Crossley 17
10 SAHARA STRAW C Benstead 9-0 .... B Rouse 10
11 STAROFF P Cole 9-0 .... K Powdrell 16
12 0 THE ANDYSTAN J Sutcliffe 9-0 .... Pat Eddery 11
15 33 YETI SONG G Hunter 9-0 .... S Cauthen 18
17 0 CHASE PAPERCHASE R Armstrong 8-11 .... L Piggott 7
18 0 CLARANDAL W Hastings-Bass 8-11 .... – 14
20 0 FAIR COUNTRY P Taylor 8-11 .... T Rogers 1
21 IMPTONE LADY M Usher 8-11 .... P Cook 12
23 6 KARETTA D Laing 8-11 .... T Quinn 5
24 4 MARADADI B Swift 8-11 .... R Fox 3
27 PURE PLEASURE M Salaman 8-11 .... – 4
29 SKY BY NIGHT R Smyth 8-11 .... S Whitworth 5 9
30 VILLETTE P Burgoyne 8-11 .... T O'Sullivan 8
1983: Welsh Wille 9-0 W R Swinburn (7-4 jt-fav) M Stoute 15 ran
9-4 Hadeer, 7-2 The Andystan, 9-2 Chase Paperchase, 5 Yeti Song.

Windsor selections

By Mandarin

6.35 Hadeer. 7.0 Gracious Homes. 7.25 Blowing Bubbles. 7.55 Provideo. 8.25 Stonehenge. 8.55 GREEN ROCK (nap).

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

6.35 Hadeer. 7.0 Cedees. 7.35 Lahab. 7.55 Provideo. 8.25 Axios. 8.55 The Reedcutter.

Michael Seely's selection: 7.25 Viceroy Lad.

7.0 NORTHFIELD APPRENTICE SELLING HANDICAP (£912: 6f) (19)

3 000-0 FREE AGAIN M Haynes 3-9-7 .... K Woolnough 19
5 00-0 NELSON'S LADY C Horgan 3-8-4 .... J Salmon 7
6 4040 GRACIOUS HOMES (B) D Haydn Jones 3-8-3 .... W Morris 11
7 0000 TYMAPALI J Spearing 4-8-3 .... – 12
8 0-003 GREEK BANKER L Holt 3-8-2 .... S Coates 5 17
9 0003 PIPATUNE (B) C Austin 3-8-2 .... M Fozzard 14
10 3-000 COURAGEOUS BOY (B) W Guest 3-8-1 .... A Woodward 5 9
11 0000 SPICE MARKET (B) S Matthews 3-8-12 .... D McFeeters 5 3
12 0000 PORTADORE M Usher 4-8-12 .... J Carter 5 8
13 0200 LAFROWDIA R Hoad 3-8-11 .... C Taylor 5 13
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7.25 MONTROSE HANDICAP (£2,670: 1m 70yd) (11)

4 0000 BARRA HEAD (B) J Dunlop 4-9-7 .... Pat Eddery 4
7 2020 JOYFUL DANCER (BF) P Cole 4-9-4 .... T Quinn 10
8 3114 VICEROY LAD (BF) (B) R Hannon 3-9-1 (5 ex) .... L Piggott 2
11 4100 MEGASTAR (B) G Hunter 3-8-7 .... T Ives 6
12 0304 LAHAB F Durr 4-8-7 .... P Madden 8
13 0-03 SORELLANO G Harwood 3-8-6 .... G Starkey 5
14 00-00 HIGH PITCHED M Haynes 5-8-3 .... J Jenkinson 1
16 0043 ROYABER (CD) (B) D Haydn Jones 8-7-13 .... B Crossley 11
19 211/0 HADERA (CD) B Gubby 9-7-7 .... A McGlone 9
20 0-231 BLOWING BUBBLES R Howe 4-7-7 .... T Williams 5 7
21 0344 MR ROSE (BF) L Lightbrown 4-7-7 .... M L Thomas 3
1983: Baroqq 4-9-7 G Starkey (9-2) F Durr 8 ran
2 Viceroy Lad, 5-2 Blowing Bubbles, 4 Joyful Dancer, 6 Barra Head, 8 Megastar, 12 High Pitched, 14 others.

7.55 WOODLAND STAKES (2-y-o: £1,535: 6f) (11)

1 1211 PROVIDEO (D) (B) W O'Gorman 9-9 .... T Ives 8
2 11 RARE STAMP (CD) D Sasse 9-7 .... S Cauthen 11
4 2210 TANA MIST R Voorspuy 9-1 .... Paul Eddery 7
5 00 APRIL FOOL J Tree 8-11 .... Pat Eddery 5
7 40 CORKSAPOPPIN A Moore 8-11 .... T Rogers 4
9 0001 FULL OF ALE (D) R Howe 8-11 .... T Quinn 9
10 4 JOHNNIE DIVER G Lewis 8-11 .... P Waldron 10
12 4333 MASTER FRANCIS M Blanshard 8-11 .... N Adams 7 2
14 010 SUPERB TROOPER R Hoad 8-11 .... B Rouse 3
17 0 UNDERFIRE R Howe 8-11 .... S Cottle 6
18 CRIMSON PRINCESS D Dale 8-8 .... M Miller 1
1983: Petorius 8-11 W R Swinburn (7-2) M Stoute 8 ran
9-4 Provideo, 11-4 Rare Stamp, 5 Master Francis, April Fool, 7 Johnnie Diver, 10 Superb Trooper, 14 others.

8.25 ROSEMEAD HANDICAP (£2,281: 1m 3f 150yd) (9)

3 0210 AXIOS B Hobbs 3-8-8 .... G Baxter 2
7 1132 STONEHENGE (CD) J Jenkins 7-8-8 .... P Cook 8
8 2433 SIR BLESSED (CD) R Williams 5-8-8 .... Pat Eddery 4
14 3000- PRESENT VALUE R Holder 4-7-9 .... R Fox 9
16 001-0 SAND LADY J Jenkins 7-7-9 .... – 6
17 0001 MAN O'MAGIC (B) D Sasse 3-7-8 (5 ex) .... T Williams 5 5
18 0-100 PRINCE RAMBORO R Smyth 3-7-7 .... M L Thomas 3
19 0/000- GRAND PALACE G Williams 5-7-7 .... K Butler 1
20 0003 BRIGADIER HAWK C Austin 6-7-7 .... R Street 7
1983: Noster Puer 3-8-6 B Rouse (7-2) D Elsworth 6 ran
15-8 Axios, 7-2 Stonehenge, 9-2 Sir Blessed, Man O'Magic, 8 Present Value, 10 Sand Lady, 12 others.

8.55 SOUTHLEA STAKES (£992: 1m 2f 22yd) (17)

2 0/000- LARWOOD D Gandolfo 4-9-3 .... – 8
4 0011 GREEN ROCK B Hills 3-9-0 .... S Cauthen 15
6 MARIA SLIM B Palling 3-9-0 .... N Day 3
8 1 TIHAMA (CD) P Cole 3-9-2 .... T Quinn 9
12 BARA SIDY G Huffer 3-8-8 .... – 10
13 0-040 CHAMPIONS DAY (B) J Dunlop 3-8-8 .... Pat Eddery 1
14 00 COLDHARBOUR LAD C Benstead 3-8-8 .... B Rouse 4
16 000-0 HAUTES TERRES A Moore 3-8-8 .... T Rogers 16
20 KADER C Horgan 3-8-8 .... A McGlone 13
21 0 PENILLYNE'S PRIDE W Hastings-Bass 3-8-8 .... T Ives 17
23 0000 SHARED JOKE M Bolton 3-8-8 .... B Jago 11
27 00- THAI RASCAL D Elsworth 3-8-8 .... – 5
28 0 THE REEDCUTTER G Wragg 3-8-8 .... B Crossley 12
29 030-0 TWO UP R Johnson Houghton 3-8-8 .... R Curant 6
34 0 LADY LYNX C Brittain 3-8-5 .... P Robinson 2
35 PAY BACK G Wragg 3-8-5 .... D Surrey 7 14
36 02-02 RASSEEMA R Johnson Houghton 3-8-5 .... J Reid 7
1983: Ven Matrero 3-6-3 G Starkey (4-9 fav) G Harwood 12 ran
9-4 Green Rock, 11-4 Tihama, 5 Rasseema, 6 Two Up, 8 Champions Day, 9 Lady Lynx, 12 others.

Specialists

AYR
TRAINERS: J Dunlop 17 winners from 55 runners, 30.9 per cent; J Hindley 28 from 83, 28.0 per cent; M H Easterby 34 from 122, 27.9 per cent.
JOCKEYS: J Lowe, 27 winners from 187 mounts, 14.4 per cent; E Hide 33 from 248, 13.3 per cent.

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TRAINERS: H Cecil 31 winners from 76 runners, 40.8 per cent; M Stoute 30 from 86, 34.9 per cent; B Hobbs 18 from 94, 18.1 per cent.
JOCKEYS: P Cook 31 winners from 194 mounts, 16.0 per cent; W Swinburn 16 from 113, 14.2 per cent; P Eddery 18 from 141, 12.8 per cent.

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TRAINERS: W O'Gorman 14 winners from 52 runners, 26.9 per cent; G Harwood 23 from 89, 25.8 per cent; J Tree 10 from 55, 18.2 per cent.
JOCKEYS: L Piggott 29 winners from 124 mounts, 23.4 per cent; P Eddery 37 from 222, 22.1 per cent; G Starkey 33 from 156, 20.7 per cent.

Leaders on the Flat

TRAINERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Runs since win	Level stakes
H Cecil	47	37	17	0	–13.24
M Stoute	37	29	21	4	–28.42
J Dunlop	32	30	34	0	–83.08
P Cole	31	23	12	0	+73.20
W O'Gorman	31	19	14	0	–6.17
R Hollinshead	30	21	37	2	–80.75
G Harwood	29	21	28	0	–75.38
J Berry	26	33	38	0	–81.33
W Hern	26	20	21	0	–14.80
H T Jones	25	25	19	0	+40.51
P Walwyn	25	18	27	0	–42.74

JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Losing sequence	Level stakes
S Cauthen	61	52	56	0	–61.55
L Piggott	59	52	44	1	–51.89
T Ives	58	49	35	3	–28.85
W Carson	53	62	49	4	–92.75
Pat Eddery	52	35	32	0	–15.70
W Swinburn	45	32	20	16	–.03
G Duffield	35	49	33	9	–127.02
B Rouse	35	22	42	10	–99.38
P Robinson	34	32	29	1	–62.90
T Quinn	33	14	15	0	+126.23
J Reid	30	28	28	7	–89.22

Blinkered first time

AYR: 2.30 Imogen, 3.0 Bold Haze, Samfen. 4.30 Doubleton, Mystic Boy.
WINDSOR: 6.35 Kellsapaul.
LEICESTER: 2.45 Linga Longa, Shihab. 4.45 Waggish.

LEICESTER

GOING: good to firm
Draw: No advantage

2.15 KLIX DRINKS SELLING STAKES (2-y-o: £696: 6f) (9 runners)

1 03300 LAKE HAMILTON (B) (A Richards) D Hanley 8-11 .... B Rouse 3
2 000003 NICE BUSINESS (T Taylor) N Tinkler 8-11 .... W R Swinburn 9
3 00 BRAVE JANE (R Edwards) P O'Connor 8-8 .... Pat Eddery 4
5 030 FIRST ENGAGEMENT (BF) (A White) R Hollinshead 8-8 .... W Ryan 3 6
6 00 FIRST MEMBER (Mrs J Giles) D Wintle 8-8 .... D Dineley 7
7 034330 LINARIA (BF) (E Arnold) C Wildman 8-8 .... R Hills 1
8 0 LITTLE BUTTERFLY (H Manners) D Wintle 8-8 .... N Howe 8
9 000034 NAVANA (D Ancil) D Ancil 8-8 .... Paul Eddery 2
10 000034 PEEDEQ (J Dickinson) H Wharton 8-8 .... W Wharton 5
1983: Fleetwood Girl 8-8 R Cochrane (6-1) M Blanshard 9 ran.
5-2 Linaria, 3 Nice Business, 7-2 First Engagement, 4 Lake Hamilton, 6 Navana, 10 Brave Jane, 16 others.

Leicester selections

By Mandarin

2.15 First Engagement. 2.45 Tender Seeker. 3.15 Mailman. 3.45 Borushka. 4.15 Katada. 4.45 Brentex.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

3.15 Garden Route. 3.45 Master Lad. 4.15 Dubai Spring. 4.45 Ishmore.

Michael Seely's selection: 3.15 Mailman.

Ayr selections

By Mandarin

2.30 Tormaukin. 3.0 Aristocrat Velvet. 3.30 Wagoner. 4.0 Sharp and Ready. 4.30 Gilgit Polo. 5.0 King Charlemagne.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

3.0 Castle Tweed. 3.30 Voyant. 4.0 State Budget. 4.30 Gilgit Polo.

Michael Seely's selection: 3.30 BUCKLOW HILL (nap).

2.45 KINGFISHER HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,673: 1m) (11)

9 0-20000 LINGA LONGA (B) (Hawkridge Cheese) N Vigors 9-7 .... P Cook 9
11 031234 CAMDEN LAD (D) (K Fischer) R Hollinshead 9-6 .... S Perks 1
13 000001 SPRING PURSUIT (D) (Conley Properties) P Cole 9-4 .... T Quinn 5
14 0-0 VELA ROSSA (N McConnell) N Gaselee 9-3 .... M Hills 6
16 00-0001 ROCABAY BLUE (D) (Mrs M Wilson) M Camacho 9-3 .... G Sexton 8
17 10-0002 TENDER SEEKER (Mrs V Lewis) G Lewis 9-1 .... P Waldron 4
18 000212 PEANDAY (B Boardman) H Beasley 9-0 .... T Williams 5 10
20 00040 MARGUARITA TIME (E Rollinson) P Felgate 8-13 .... M Miller 3
22 00-00 MAZYOUN (Hamed Ali) P Walwyn 8-12 .... Pat Eddery 7
23 000004 BULAWAYO PRINCE (Lady Clague) C Benstead 8-11 .... B Rouse 2
30 0-00000 SHIHAB (B) (Shaikh Al Nahayan) M Blanshard 8-5 .... N Adams 7 11
1983: Ladyfish 9-7 L Piggott (2-1 fav) B Hanbury 11 ran.
2 Rocabay Blue, 9-2 Tender Seeker, 6 Spring Pursuit, Camden Lad, 8 Bulawayo Prince, Peanday, 10 Marguarita Time, 12 Linga Longa, 16 others.

3.15 BELVOIR CASTLE HANDICAP (£3,189: 1m 2f) (8)

1 801024 GARDEN ROUTE (D) (BF) (J Hayter) F Durr 4-9-10 .... G Starkey 8
3 000021 MAILMAN (D) (Mrs J McDougald) I Balding 5-9-5 .... S O'Gorman 7 1
7 320431 STEEL VENTURE (D) (A Maycock) M Ryan 5-8-11 (5 ex) .... Pat Eddery 4
8 1-3043 MISS KUTA BEACH (J Pearce) M Stoute 3-8-8 .... W R Swinburn 6
11 000014 NASHAAB (Hamed Ali) C Benstead 4-8-5 .... B Rouse 7
12 9034 THE VILLAIN (Mrs J Bryce) R Armstrong 3-8-4 .... S Cauthen 5
13 010211 HUMBERSIDE LADY (CD) (Humberside Enterprises) G Huffer 5-8-2 .... – 3
14 403-212 MYSTIC MARGARET (D) (W Bates) A Hide 5-8-2 (5 ex) .... – 2
1983: Tai Fu Kwei 4-8-12 L Piggott (110-30) C Williams 17 ran.
11-4 Mailman, 4 Miss Kuta Beach, 9-2 Garden Route, 6 Humberside Lady, Steel Venture, 8 Mystic Margaret, 9 The Villain, 12 Nashaab.

FORM: GARDEN ROUTE (9-7) 4th beaten 2¾l to Scoutsmistake (8-10) 12 ran. Carlisle 1m h'cap firm July 4. MAILMAN (9-10) won ¾l from Mystic Margaret (8-5) 8 ran. haydock 1m 2f 131 yd app'ce h'cap firm July 7.
STEEL VENTURE (9-9) won 2½l from Ardelle (9-10) 5 ran. Pontefract 1m 2f h'cap firm July 9. MISS KUTA BEACH (9-7) 3rd beaten 1½l to Aroma (8-8) 12 ran. Windsor 1m 2f 22yd h'cap good June 18. WE'LL MEET AGAIN (8-5) 4th beaten 11½l to Widd (7-9) 10 ran. Kempton 1m 3f h'cap good June 2. NASHAAT (8-8) 4th beaten 10l to Filario (8-1) 10 ran. Warwick 1m 2f 170yd h'cap good June 23. THE VILLAIN (8-8) 4th beaten 6¾l to Young Nicholas (8-8) 21 ran. Windsor 1m 2f stks good June 18. HUMBERSIDE LADY (7-13) won 1½l from Cero's gift (9-3) 9 ran. Ayr 1m 2f h'cap good June 23.
Selection: HUMBERSIDE LADY.

3.45 MOUNSORREL STAKES (3-y-o: £1,364: 1m 4f) (7)

7 3-2221 BORUSHKA (Aga Khan) R Johnson Houghton 8-8 .... S Cauthen 7
12 222320 BORODINO (C Barber-Lomax) T Fairhurst 8-7 .... J Reid 2
16 00-030 MASTER LAD (J Mabee) G Huffer 8-7 .... M Miller 5
18 0 POETIC JUSTIC (Communidata Ltd) M Chapman 8-7 .... D Dineley 4
23 0 CARAVEL VOILE (C Wilcox) M Camacho 8-4 .... G Sexton 3
27 0 HAMPTON COURT (T Bletsoe) M Jarvis 8-4 .... B Raymond 6
30 0-33 SNOW TREE (BF) (R Hambro) B Hobbs 8-4 .... G Baxter 1
1983: Lady Moon 8-11 L Piggott (13-8 fav) H Cecil 7 ran.
10-11 Borushka, 7-4 Snow Tree, 9-2 Borodino, 12 Hampton Court, 16 Master Lad, 20 others.

FORM: BORUSHKA (8-11) won 3l from Kawed (8-11) 3 ran. Nottingham 1m 6f stks firm July 7. MASTER LAD (9-0) 8th beaten 12½l to Milton Burn (8-0) 16 ran. Leicester 1m 4f h'cap good to firm Apr 28. HAMPTON COURT (8-11) 6th beaten 23l to Longboat (9-5) 8 ran. Kempton 1m 3f stks good to firm June 27. SNOW TREE (8-8) 3rd beaten 10l to Broadiraf (8-11) 7 ran. Sandown 1m 6f stks good to firm June 16.
Selection: BORUSHKA.

4.15 BLABY MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £887: 7f) (17)

7 0-3000 CAMBRIDGE LODGE (Qualitair Ltd) K Stone 8-11 .... P Bloomfield 3 17
10 0-03 DUBAI SPRING (Nasser Abdullah) H Thomson Jones 8-11 .... A Murray 7
11 224-003 EMERALD EAGLE (A Lyons) C Booth 8-11 .... G Oldroyd 3
12 00-0400 FOLLOW THAT CAB (Mrs L Nemeth) P Felgate 8-11 .... Gay Kelleway 5 4
14 HAUTBOY LADY (Hautboy Restaurant) W Guest 8-11 .... A Bond 12
15 0000- HAZEL COVE (S Digby) M Blanshard 8-11 .... M Hills 5
16 4-203 KATADA (Aga Khan) R Johnson Houghton 8-11 .... D Brice 5 2
17 4-00 KIRSOVA (W Gredley) C Brittain 8-11 .... P Bradwell 9
18 02-00 LADY TIPPINS (Mrs P Harris) H Cecil 8-11 .... L Piggott 1
21 0204- LIGHTING LEGACY (A Bengough) L Cumani 8-11 .... D McHargue 10
23 02-0003 LUCKY ENGAGEMENT (Elisha Holding) M Jarvis 8-11 .... B Raymond 14
26 00-0000 MANGALA'S PRIDE (Mrs M Ward) T Fairhurst 8-11 .... J Reid 15
28 00- MRS MEYRICK (J Lambton) G Pritchard Gordon 8-11 .... R Cochrane 11
30 0 PATENT PENDING (Mrs B Nowicki) R Whitaker 8-11 .... J H Brown 5 13
31 3042-00 PLAITS (J Bryce) R Armstrong 8-11 .... G Sexton 6
32 0000-0 RICKI LEE (F Markland) D McCain 8-11 .... – 8
37 00 TRIP TO HEAVEN (Mrs H Collins) C Wildman 8-11 .... R Hills 16
1983: Div I: Gunner's Belle 8-11 R Cochrane (33-1) M Blanshard 13 ran.
Div II: Pig Tail 8-11 L Piggott (11-4 fav) H Cecil 12 ran.
3 Dubai Spring, 4 Katada, 5 Lady Tippins, 6 Lucky Engagement, Plaits, 8 Emerald Eagle, Lighting Legacy, 10 Kirsova, 14 others.

4.45 BURTON HANDICAP (£2,117: 5f) (10)

1 002000 ISHMORE (B) (D) (T Upton) W Guest 4-9-10 .... E Guest 5 6
4 0040-00 TOKAIDO (D) (BF) (T Corby) M Ryan 4-9-0 .... R Hills 8
5 0-41231 RAPID MISS (D) (D Cooper) Mrs N Macauley 4-8-13 (7 ex) .... P Bloomfield 3 4
6 0000-22 BRENTEX (D) (S Mason) N Vigors 6-8-11 .... J Reid 3
7 00-0000 SIR BUTCH (B) (G Harridge) P Haynes 4-8-11 .... B Raymond 1
9 000003 VEE BEE (D) (Mrs H Berry) D Leslie 5-8-8 .... W Wharton 5
10 000-034 LEEKMORE (D) (B Matthews) S Matthews 5-8-5 .... J M Brown 5 2
11 0-00000 ST TERRAMAR (B) (Savill & Co Ltd) D Jermy 9-8-4 .... – 7
12 040000 CROWFOOT'S COUTURE (B) (Douglas Crowfoot Ltd) B McMahon 3-8-4
13 100-00 WAGGISH (B) (D) (J Rowles) J Leigh 3-8-2 .... R Cochrane 9 / A Proud 10
1983: St Terramar [illegible]
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Saturday's results

York
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Ayr
[illegible]
3.15 1, Nadia Nerina (9-4 fav); 2, Roseans Park (7-2); 3, Gem Set (7-2). 9 ran.
3.45 1, Blowing Bubbles (11-1); 2, Bucks Fizz Music (8-1); 3, Swinging Rebel (9-2 fav). 13 ran. NR: Free Range, Renovate.
4.15 1, Axe Valley (4-1); 2, Halycon Cove (8-1); 3, Abutpis (5-1). Carribean Song (2-1 fav). 8 ran.
4.45 1, Patrizzo (6-2); 2, It's The Best (14-1); 3, ABC Superstar (33-1). Rhusted (8-11 fav). 11 ran.

Lingfield Park
[illegible]

Chester
2.15 1, Welsh Medley (10-1); 2, Madam Mo (11-1); 3, Mairs Girl (50-1). Letby (5-4 fav). 11 ran.
2.45 1, Mawahra (8-4); 2, Fleur Rouge (7-1); 3, Avec Coeur (16-1). Run With The Wind (11-10 fav). 4 ran.
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Salisbury
2.0 1, Bloodless Coup (25-1); 2, Narbrough (USA) (6-4 fav); 3, Great Symphony (7-2). 12 ran.
2.30 1, Imperial Salute (4-1 jt-fav); 2, Go Bananas (6-1); 3, Pulsate (33-1). Careen (4-1 jt-fav). 14 ran.
3.0 1, Morse Pip (7-2 jt-fav); 2, Sidab (8-1); 3, Elmdon (25-1). Al Amead (7-2 jt-fav). 12 ran. NR: Hello Cuddles.
3.30 1, Sure Danger (6-1); 2, Safe Custody [illegible]
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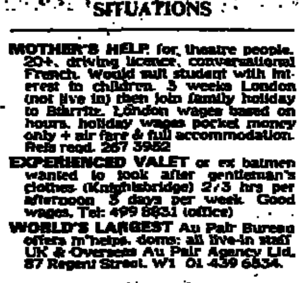
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No. 002613 of 1984
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– and –
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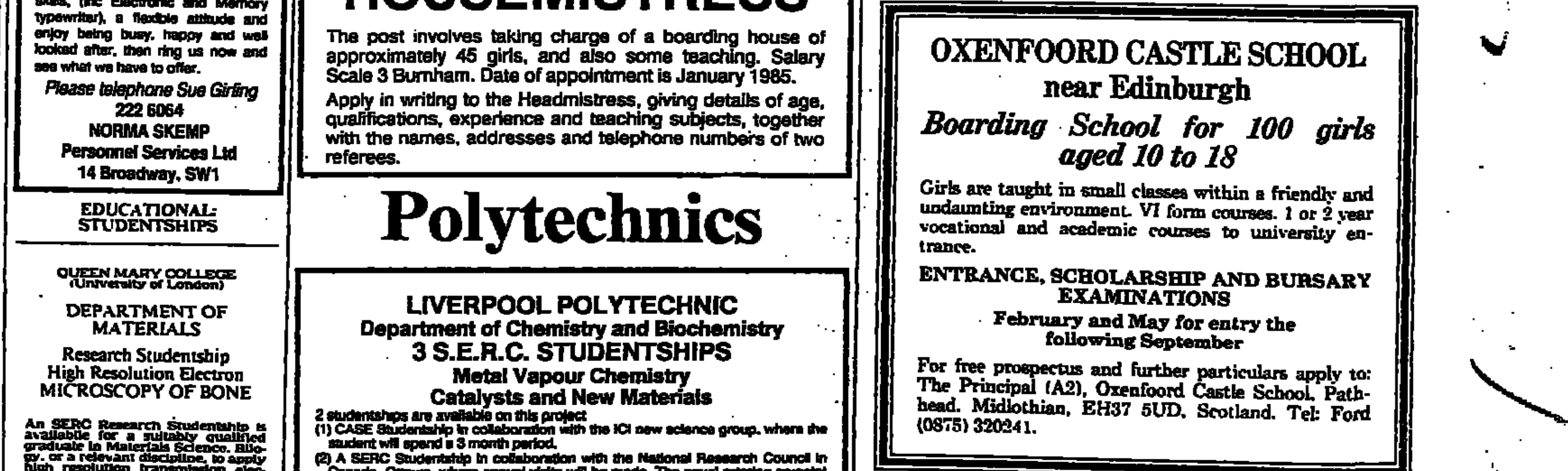
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The Times guide to career choice

Study your university plans now

Beryl Dixon tells how would-be students should go about applying for places and why there is a trend towards early approaches

Are you hoping to enter university in October 1985 you should be thinking about your application. Appications are handled by the universities' Central Council on Admissions, which accepts them between September 1 and December 15 in the year before to entry. Candidates complete a UCCA form on which they may name not more than five universities and return it to the UCCA office for processing and distribution to the universities.

University selectors then scrutinize the forms and "make offers" to applicants, specifying A-level examination grades to be obtained the next June. Candidates must, if fortunate enough to receive several offers, decide between them, and need not choose the one originally highest on their list. Indeed, they frequently change their minds after a visit or interview.

December 15 is the official closing date, but the last few years have seen a trend toward earlier application and last year the universities reported a 6 per cent increase in the number of forms received before November 30. Many selectors do not wait until the closing date, but make offers or rejections as the forms are received, so it can be advantageous to get them in early. If you wait until December, you run the risk of finding few places left, or you could find that the offers go up. One departmental selector said last year for instance, that whereas he had been asking for BCD in November, as his places filled he increased his asking rate to a less generous BCC. Moreover, several selectors say that are accustomed to seeing the forms of the better motivated candidates come in early and therefore tend to offer more places earlier in the season.

Make a list of all you need to know

Some schools, particularly those with a large number of UCCA references to write, expect candidates to hand in their forms soon after the beginning of the autumn term and this means that you really cannot afford to wait until September to start thinking about your application. There are 92 university establishments listed in the UCCA handbook – counting the London and Welsh colleges separately – and you may choose only five. The remainder of this term and the summer holidays are the time for research and preselection.

Where do you begin? How do you decide where to spend the next three or four years of your life? A lot of chance comes into it. Some like the sound of the course itself; some choose an attractive place; others go by school or parental recommendation; and it is not uncommon to select a place for personal or social reasons. Luckily, most people are happy in the places to which they eventually go. However, you might as well start the selection process scientifically.

First, make a list of all the things you need to know. Everyone is different and your priorities will not be the same as your friends'. What sort of place would suit you? Do you want to go to a city, a rural setting or a campus university? How important is it to live in university owned accommodation? Or would you prefer digs? There is an important consideration to bear in mind.

Until this year local authorities refunded amounts in excess of £50 spent each year on travel. This is no longer the case, and in future, costs of travel from home to university and daily travel to and from lodgings must come from your grant. Students, hopefully, will not be deterred from applying to the places of their choice; but it is worth thinking about.

Perhaps the most important single decision is that of the course. You should be applying only if you want to spend the next few years in serious study. You may already have chosen your subject, but you should at least consider new ones. There are many listed in the UCCA handbook which are not taught in schools. Even if you are choosing to continue a subject from A level, do check that the course is what you expect,, and do not fall into the trap of of assuming that they are identical at different universities. There is a vast difference in the syllabuses of familiar sounding subjects: modern languages, for example, may be studied from a business and linguistic angle or may be biased towards the study of literature. Even straightforward sounding subjects can catch you out; agriculture, far from being a course in farm management is virtually an applied chemistry degree at some universities.

It is essential to give time and thought to these matters. Apart from special personal reasons, students drop out because they are unhappy with their environment or because the course is not what they expected. Try to absorb first the vast amount of information available in books. UCCA handbooks are arriving in schools and you may already have been given one. I would suggest, however, starting to narrow down your choice with the Compendium of University Entrance Requirements.

When you have made a list of possibilities, turn to the CRAC degree course guides, which should be in school libraries.

There are guides to most subjects which compare and contrast the ways in which they are taught at different places. They tell how much accountancy is included in different business studies courses or how largely Roman law features in law courses, as well as giving valuable information on teaching and assessment methods at each establishment. Then you need to get prospectuses and course leaflets from a number of institutions. They may not answer all your questions – and do remember that they have a public relations function – but read in conjunction with the alternative prospectuses available from some students' unions they will give you a good picture of courses, accommodation and social facilities. Several universities now produce useful video "prospectuses", but these are usually available to schools rather than to individuals.

A visit on campus is a good idea

There is no substitute for a visit to a university, but it is obviously unrealistic to suggest that you spend your entire summer holiday hitch-hiking around different campuses. If you can arrange to see some, however, so much the better. You may be able to attend an official open day. If not, why not just go? You can absorb a fair amount by wandering around, and nobody is likely object.

Lastly ask. If you have unanswered questions, write to university admissions officers. Most of them are happy to answer letters from prospective applicants, provided that the information has not already been given in the prospectus. Ask school staff for their opinions: ask to be put into touch with former pupils who are now at university. Above all, do ask your staff for an honest assessment of your A-level potential. Some courses demand higher entry grades than others and it would be foolish to waste one of those precious five choices with an unrealistic application.

You may be not be able to do all of this during the summer; but if you can, you stand a better chance of making an informed choice next term.

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BIRTHS

BLACKIE – on July 9th 1984 in Johannesburg to Elaine (nee Marriott) and John R a son Anton Christopher a brother for Rosemary and Emma.

BOWRING – On 11th July to Louise & Duncan – a daughter Camilla Mary

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GOODENOUGH – On 13th July at Mayday Hospital, Croydon to Rosemary & Adrian – a beautiful daughter, Clare Jennifer

HUNTER JOHNSTON – On 10th July to Elizabeth (nee Robinson) and Andrew, a daughter, Katherine Anne Cecilia

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REYNOLDS – on July 12th 1984 to Jill (nee Dook) and Ian, a son, Jonathan Stuart, brother to Nicholas and Kim-Marie

WHEELER On July 13th, in Pebble Beach, California, to Diana (nee Stone) & Rex – a daughter Lara.

BIRTHDAYS

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DEATHS

CURRY – on 11th of July, Joan widow of Jack Curry, peacefully at home. Funeral on Wednesday 18th July at 3.15 at Bedford Chapel, Golders Green. Flowers to William Tookey and Sons, 51 Marylebone High St. by noon

DENYER George Thomas on Friday July 13th peacefully in his sleep. Beloved father of Brian and dear grandfather of Philip, Andrew, Barbara, dear brother of Sydney. Service and cremation at Breakspeare Crematorium, Breakspeare Road, Ruslip, Middx, Wednesday, July 18th at 12.15pm. Flowers to J A Massey, 16 Lowlands Road, Harrow, Middx.

FORBES/LANG. At Greenwich on 11th July, Margaret, 68 years, ward of the late Miss M M Chadburn, surgeon. Funeral 2pm Wednesday, 18th July at Lewisham Crematorium. No flowers. Donations if desired to RSPCA. Enquiries to Francis Chappell & Sons. Tel: 852 9501

HARVEY Maurice Edward Matheson, at home on 13th July, husband of Susan, father of Bernard, Mark, Howarth. Funeral private

HAYWARD – on July 13th, 1984, Stella May as the result of a riding accident on July 12th. Perfect wife of Herch, dearly loved mother of Sarah and Venetia and grandmother of Edward. Thanksgiving service will take place at St John's Church, Toller Whelm, Dorset on Tuesday July 17th, at 2.30pm. Donations if desired for R.D.A. c/o A. J. Wakely & Sons, 7 North St, Beaminster, Dorset

LGSTON – On July 13th peacefully at a nursing home near Ludlow, Olive Dearly loved mother of Ran. Cremation private.

MUMPHREYS. – On 12th July 1984 peacefully at Bampton, Joyce widow of Col. Brian Humphreys mother of Robert, Michael and Clare, much loved grandmother, private cremation followed by memorial service at St Michael and All Angels, Bampton at 5.30 pm. on 18th July. No flowers but donations if desired to Imperial Cancer Research.

POMERANIEC – on 12th July Dr Jacob, peacefully. Deeply loved and missed by his wife Jeanette, family and friends.

POORE. On July 11th, 1984, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, Stella (nee Sol) beloved wife of Clinton Beresford Poore and mother of Monica McCarthy and Corina Quenel.

RUSSELL CLARA E, widow of E D Bachelor Russell, late of Diss and Shorne, on July 12th, aged 85. Funeral Consett Parish Church, Tuesday, July 17th, at 1.45, from her daughter Rosemary Sampson's home, Consett Vicarage, Co Durham, DH8 5NF

SPILSBURY. On 5th July, 1984, Richard, youngest son of Sir Bernard and Lady Spilsbury. Sadly missed by his relatives and friends. Enquiries to J H Kenyon, 9 Pond St, NW3. Tel 794 3535.

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WHITBY. On 11th July, 1984, after a short illness, Gwynne (Williams), beloved mother and grandmother. Cremation at Breakspear Crematorium, Ruslip, on Tuesday, 17th July, at 11 a.m. (East Chapel). Family flowers only, please, but donations, if desired, to the Actors Charitable Trust, Denville Hall, Northwood, Middlesex. Memorial service to be arranged.

WISBEY – Grace Mary on July 14th, in a nursing home, previously of Granville House, Glinton, near Peterborough. Mother of Mary Ever of Northmoor, Oxfordshire.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

ANSTICE. A memorial service for Stephanie Anstice (nee Armitage) will be held at St Peter's Church, Willersey at 3 pm on Monday, July 30th.

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BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM.

6.30 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Fern Britton. News from Debbie Rix at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30 with headlines on the quarter hours; sports at 6.40 and 7.40; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15; programme choice at 6.55; a review of the morning newspapers at 7.18 and 8.18; film and pop record reviews between 7.45 and 8.00; horoscopes at 8.33; 'phone-in financial advice between 8.30 and 9.00.

9.00 Gardeners' World. With Geoff Hamilton, Clay Jones and Anne Mayo as their Start from Scratch garden nears completion (shown last Friday) 9.25 Home on Sunday. Cliff Michelmore with singer Grace Kennedy at her Totteridge, north London, home (shown yesterday). (Ceefax titles page 170) 10.00 Ceefax, 10.30 Play School, presented by Ben Thomas (r).

10.55 Cricket: Third Test. The fourth day's play in the match at Headingley between England and the West Indies.

1.05 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Michael Cole. The weather prospects come from Bill Giles. 1.22 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles). 1.25 Chock-a-Block. A See-Saw programme for the very young (r).

1.40 Cricket: Third Test. Live action from Headingley. 4.18 Regional news (not London).

4.20 Play School, presented by Carol Leader. 4.40 Play Away. Comedy, jokes and music presented by Brian Cant and Floella Benjamin (r). 5.05 John Craven's Newsround 5.10 The Kids of Degrassi Street. More adventures with the youngsters who live on the Toronto thoroughfare.

5.40 Sixty Minutes. Moira Stuart reads the national and international news at 5.40; weather at 5.54; regional magazines at 5.55; and news headlines at 6.38.

6.40 World of Wildlife. Sharks are this evening's subjects and fascinating underwater camerawork reveals the grace of the feared fish. Narrated by Robert Powell (r) (Ceefax titles page 170).

7.10 Manimal. Jonathan Chase, the criminologist with the facility to change into any animal he chooses, tonight challenges 'The Dragon', the scourge of merchants in Chinatown. Stars Simon MacCorkindale (Ceefax titles page 170).

8.00 Only Fools and Horses. The lifts break down in the block where the Trotters live. Something must be done about it so Rodney becomes chairman of the tenants' association (r) (Ceefax titles page 170)

8.30 The Harding Trail. The start of a 1,500 mile bike ride down the East Coast of the United States by Mike Harding. He begins his journey in Philadelphia (see Choice).

9.00 News with Nicholas Witchell.

9.25 Film: A Question of Honour (1981) starring Ben Gazzara, Paul Servino and Robert Vaughn. Crime drama about a New York policeman, yearning for a big case, who is tipped-off about a drugs deal. He jumps at it, little realizing that he is being set-up to provide evidence of police corruption. Directed by Jud Taylor.

11.38 News headlines.

11.40 Mavericks: Pyramids and Poultry. The story of Geoff Ward and John Buckley who transformed part of the Egyptian desert into a thriving chicken farm.

12.10 News headlines and weather.

TV-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and John Stapleton. News from Jayne Irving at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.35 and 7.33; financial advice at 6.45 and 8.45; exercises at 6.50 and 9.15; the day's anniversaries at 7.05 and 8.13; cartoon at 7.23; Susan George at 7.40 and 8.15; pop video at 7.55; astrology at 8.20; TV-am doctor at 9.08

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines followed by Sesame Street 10.25 The Southwest – America. James Michener contrasts the 'ghost' mining towns with modern-day Houston 11.15 Once Upon a Time ... Man Animated history series. Today, Elizabethan England 11.40 The Little Rascals* in Bedtime Worries.

12.00 Gammon and Spinach. Valerie Pitts reads the story, Dunket Takes a Walk. 12.10 Let's Pretend to the tale, The Wind Finds Some Friends (r). 12.30 Home Sweet Home. American domestic comedy series (r).

1.00 News 1.20 Thames news 1.30 Vintage Quiz. Panel Game between teams captained by Pete Murray and Faith Brown.

2.00 Film: Press for Time (1966) starring Norman Wisdom as a newspaper reporter who, it is discovered, is the long-lost grandson of the prime minister. Directed by Robert Asher. 3.50 Cartoon Time: Pizzicato Pussycat (r).

4.00 Gammon and Spinach. A repeat of the programme shown at noon. 4.15 The Moomins (r). 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Dramarama: The Purple People Eater, by Harry Duffin. The tale of three teenagers, in 1958, who are obsessed by rock and roll and who are convinced they will make themselves big names in the pop world. 5.15 Gambit. Quiz game for married couples.

5.45 News 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 What It's Worth. Sally Hawkins replies to consumer affairs letters from viewers.

6.35 Crossroads. Is Helen Walker still a threat to Kath Brownlow's relationship with John Latchford?

7.00 The Krypton Factor. Heat two of the brain and brawn competition. Gordon Burns takes Paul Smith, Declan Smith, Stan Ashcroft and Keith Foot through gruelling physical tests and a cerebral grilling (Oracle titles page 170).

7.30 Coronation Street. Mike Baldwin is the intended victim of his factory girls' revenge (Oracle titles page 170).

8.00 World in Action Special.

9.00 The Sweeney: Country Boy. At the insistence of his chief, Regan accepts help from an expert on alarm systems with Bristol's Regional Crime Squad when burglar alarms begin to go off before there is any sign of a forced entry. Will the 'country bumpkin' earn the respect of the tough Scotland Yard Flying Squad officer? Starring John Thaw and Dennis Waterman (r).

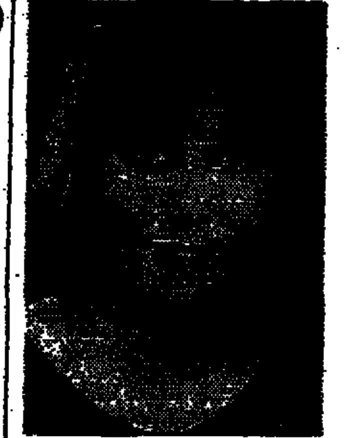
10.00 News.

10.30 Quincy. The pathologist calls for a change in the law after a mental hospital's out-patient kills his father and brother and yet might not be jailed because of his 'insanity'

11.30 All in the Mind. Psychologist Dr John Nicholson talks to other psychologists about Britain's crime and criminals.

12.00 The Adventurer learns why the girl of his dreams walked out on him. Starring Gene Barry (r).

12.25 Night Thoughts from Lord Soper.



Debbie Rix on Breakfast Time: BBC 1 6.30am

● A low-grade American teacher with a sexy wife and a passion for Jane Austen gets an exchange job at the only British university with a multi-storey car park. Andrew Davies's play CAMPUS BLUES (Radio 4, 8.15pm) never strays far from the expected comedy of academic manners, but there are sufficient gold nuggets in the dialogue to forestall fidgets. Some good performances too, particularly from Christopher Godwin as the English don timorously engaged in "one-to-one tutorials". Jeremy Mortimer directs decently.

● While we loll against cushions, singer and comedian Mike Harding rides 90 pounds worth of bicycle and rucksacks from Philadelphia to New Orleans in the summer heat, in search of the American dream. Such is THE HARDING TRAIL

CHOICE

(BBC1, 8.30pm), a new six-part series for the inveterate armchair traveller. This first episode starts at Gatwick Airport, which we know about; but we also visit the Amish sect of Lancaster County, a religious community who refuse to acknowledge the twentieth century. Other good topics are promised though one wonders whether Harding's stage-managed "natural" conversations, caught by an eavesdropping camera, will really get the best of them.

● Royal occasions weren't always marked by immaculate pageantry, according to David Cannadine's two-part interval talk ROYAL SPECTACULARS, CIVIC SPLENDOURS (Radio 3, 7.45 approximately): George IV's funeral was "squalid and unseemly". One longs for more details, but Cannadine sweeps on to describe and explain the modern rise of pomp and circumstance. Amusing and educative; part two is on Friday.

● Fancy a visit to the Hôtel de l'Univers et de Cheltenham? Then listen to Radio 4's STORY TIME (4.40pm, every weekday), which is resurrecting *The Reverberator*, an early, forgotten, comic novel by Henry James. "It was only when you saw him that you knew you had seen him," the narrator says at one point about the gossip columnist preying on American damsels in Paris; but do not despair – in context, it makes perfect sense. Kerry Shale reads deliciously.

Geoff Brown

BBC 2

6.05 Open University: Language: Discourse Analysis 6.30 East Anglian Coast 6.55 Maths: Matrices, 1 7.20 Where Has All the Granite Gone? 7.45 Technology: A Milk Run. Ends at 8.10.

9.00 Ceefax.

4.15 Cricket: Third Test. Further coverage of the play at Headingley.

6.10 News summary with subtitles.

6.15 One of the Family. Marion Foster is at the Cotswold Wildlife Park talking to John Stone who explains how to home-rear the Heliconid, a South American butterfly, as well as stick insects and praying mantis. Don Reid instructs Brian Watkins in the care of tortoises (r).

6.35 The Open Golf Championship 1983. Highlights of last year's tournament, held at Royal Birkdale. Introduced by Frank Windsor with commentary by Peter Alliss.

7.30 Imagined Worlds. The first of a new series about scientific ideas, in which five scientists, each of whom having developed an original theory, explain how they reached their conclusions. Tonight's guest is Tom Bower, professor of Child Psychology at the University of Edinburgh, who talks about his work with babies and young children. His 25 years of experience in the field have earned him a world-wide reputation for designing critical experiments to test infant skills and abilities.

8.00 Call My Bluff. Robert Robinson is in the chair for another edition of the witty word-game. Arthur Marshall's team of Julia McKenzie and Julian Pettifer challenge Frank Muir who sports Margaret Howard and Robin Bailey on his side (r).

8.30 Tenko. Episode four of the women prisoner-of-war drama and as the running of the camp is not as smooth as it should be Miss Hasan makes the women work in the factory as well as in the camp (r) (Ceefax titles page 170).

9.25 Round and Round. Part four of John Fortune's comedy about a Stokes woman. Maureen is now 25 years old and she and her husband decide to have a baby.

9.55 Diary of a Maasai Village. The fourth of seven documentary films about life in a Kenyan village. In tonight's film one of the prophet's sons travels to collect his third bride while another sets off with ten cows he wants to sell in order to pay his jailed brother's lawyer (Ceefax titles page 170).

10.45 Newsnight.

11.30 Cricket: Third Test. Highlights of the fourth day's play.

12.00 Open University: Germinal 12.25 The Miners' Wage Claim 1982: Influences on the Decision 12.50 Adult Literacy: The Cape Verde Experience, 2. Ends at 1.20.

CHANNEL 4

5.00 Blockbusters. Bob Holness with another round of the daily general knowledge quiz for 16 to 18 year olds.

5.30 WKRP in Cincinnati. Comedy from the staff of the ailing radio station. This week, Arthur Carlson's 25-year-old dream of his first date with his wife is shattered when he meets an old friend at a college reunion.

6.00 The Kellogg's BMX Championship. The final contest of the Championship comes from Gateshead.

6.30 Numbers at Work. Fred Harris with another programme in his series designed to take the mystique out of everyday maths. Angles are today's subjects and Mr Harris examines their use in a variety of work situations (r).

7.00 Channel Four News presented by Alastair Stewart. Lawrence McGinty previews tomorrow's 100 mph train crash, organized by the Central Electricity Generating Board, to settle the debate about the safety of transferring nuclear shipments by rail.

7.50 Comment. With his views on a subject of topical importance is Andrew Graham-Yooll, deputy editor of the Third World magazine, South.

8.00 Opinions. The third programme in the series that allows individuals with something to say about our society and its future to do just that. Tonight's speaker is professor Amartya Sen, a leading economist, who argues that free market economic policies are not based on how people behave in the modern economies of the world, and that the policies have in fact caused unnecessary suffering to millions.

8.30 Man About the House. Comedy series starring Richard O'Sullivan as a student sharing a flat with two girls. Tonight he discovers that discretion is the better part of valour when confronted by Big Mick at the local pub.

9.00 The Sophisticated Gents. The second and final part of the mini series begun last night about black middle-class life in the United States. It is the time of the reunion dinner, arranged as a tribute to their former coach, and the Gents are faced with a crisis that threatens their bonds of loyalty.

10.45 The Eleventh Hour: Film: Muna Moto (1974). An award winning film made by the Camerounian director Jean-Pierre Dikongue-Pipa. It is a moving account of a menage-a-trois in a village in the Cameroon, involving an uncle, his nephew and the uncle's young wife and the baby which she had by his nephew. Starring Arletta Din Bell, Daniel Enders and Philip Abia. French dialogue, English subtitles.

12.25 Closedown.

Radio 4

6.00 News Briefing; Weather.
6.10 Farming Week from the North. 6.25 Shipping Forecast.
6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News Summary 6.45* Prayer for the Day 6.55, 7.55 Weather 7.00, 8.00 Today's News 7.25*, 8.25* Sport 7.45* Thought for the Day.
8.30 Today in San Francisco. Today's news as it be broadcast in San Francisco.
8.50 The Week on 4. 8.57 Weather; Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 Start The Week With Richard Baker at the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Stratford-on Avon. Among the guests are Richard Pasco and Peter Donohoe.
10.00 News; A Small Country Living. Jeanine McMullen meets the sowers, hoers, reapers and st breeders of rural Britain (2).
10.30 Morning Story: 'Mrs Levy Presses On' by Hill Slavid.
10.45 Daily Service†
11.00 News; Travel; Down Your Way visits Coventry.
11.48 Poetry Please!
12.00 News; You and Yours.
12.27 Radio Active† with Helen Atkinson Wood and Angus Deayton in 'The Martin Brown Show' 12.55 Weather; Programme News.
1.00 The World At One: News.
1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping Forecast.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour.
3.00 News; Afternoon Theatre† 'The Armenian Purchase' by Arnold Yarrow.
4.30 English Now. A look at the English language.
4.40 Story Time: 'The Reverberator' by Henry James, abridged in eight parts (1).
5.00 PM: News Magazine 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather; Programme News.
6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial Report.
6.30 Just A Minute† with Kenneth Williams, Derek Nimmo, Clement Freud and John Baddeley.
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Science Now. Weekly review of discoveries and developments in the world of science.
7.50 Talk of the Town, Talk of the Country. Stanley Ellis sets out to discover the ways in which people talk about their lives, their landscape and their local language (2) Yorkshire: Town and Country.
8.15 The Monday Play† 'Campus Blues' by Andrew Davies.
9.30 Kaleidoscope. Arts Magazine.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: 'Among the Russians' by Colin Thubron, abridged in ten parts (1) 10.29 Weather.
10.30 The World Tonight, including 11.00pm News headlines.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News.
12.10 Weather.
12.15 Close, Shipping Forecast. England: VHF with lf above except: 6.25-6.30am Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00pm Listening Corner. 11.00-11.30 Study on 4: Under Pressure (4) 11.30-12.00am Open University: 11.30 Control of Education 11.50 Music Interlude.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.
7.05 Morning Concert: Classical music on records. † Works include Pierné's overture Ramuntcho; Poulenc's Trio for oboe, bassoon and piano (Melos Ensemble), and Suite francaise. † 8.00 News.
8.05 Morning Concert: part two. Schumann's overture Julius Caesar; Boccherini's Cello Concerto No 2 (Rostropovich/Collegium Musicum Zurich); and Haydn' Symphony No 60. 9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composers: The Court of Ferrara. Includes works by Dufay, Dunstable, Power and and Tromboncino †.
9.45 Onslow and Raff: Moray Welsh (cello) and Roger Vignoles (piano). Onslow's Sonata in C minor, Op 16 No 2; and Raff's Sonata in D major, Op 183. Both are the first broadcasts in Britain. †
10.55 Orchestral music: a selection of classicalmusic, on records. †
11.25 Gordon Fergus-Thompson. Piano recital. Debussy's Pour les Agrements; William Mathias's Sonata No 2; Godowsky's The Gardens of Buitenzorg (Java Suite); Glinka, transc Balakirev: The Lark. †
12.00 Berlioz: BBC Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Edward Downes, play the Symphonie fantastique. †
1.00 News.
1.05 BBC lunchtime Concert: Margaret Price (soprano), Geoffrey Parsons (piano). Haydn's Scena di Berenice; Britten's The Poet's Echo; and songs by Brahms. †
2.15 The British Brass Band: First of six programmes. Howarth's Fireworks (Variations on theme of W Hogarth Lear) played by Besses o' the Barn Band; Ireland's Minuet and A Downland Suite (National Youth Brass Band of Great Britain); and Holst's A Moorside Suite (Grimethorpe Colliery Band).
3.00 New Records: A selection of new classical records that are now in the shops. †
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: another of Roger Nichol's selections. †
6.30 Music for Organ. Christopher Herrick plays works by Walther and Bach. †
7.00 Oratorio: Jephtha, by Handel. This was his penultimate oratorio, based on Judges XI - the tale of the long-suffering Jephtha and his loving daughter Iphis. Performed by BBC Welsh Chorus, Swansea Bach Choir and BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra under Neville Marriner. Soloists: Emma Kirkby, Alfred Hodgson, Anthony Rolfe Hohnson, Stephen Roverts and Aled Jones. The first act. †
7.45 Talks: Royal Spectaculars, Civic Splendours by David Cannadine, Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge, (see Choice).
8.05 Jephtha: the second act of Handel's oratorio. †
8.50 Poetry Now: a selection introduced by Gillian Clarke. Includes poems by Jean Earle.
9.10 Jephaha: the third act. †
10.10 The Mad Pomegranate and the Praying Mantis: First of three programmes, based on the recollections of Andalusia, by Peter Luke.
10.30 Jazz Today: presented by Charles Fox. With Peter Jacobsen (piano) †.
11.15 News. Closedown at 11.18. VHF only: Open University. 6.15am to 6.55 and 11.20pm to 12.00.

Radio 2

News on the hour. Major Bulletins: 7.00 am, 8.00, 1.00 pm, 5.00 and 12.00 midnight
Headlines: 5.30 am, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 (MF/MW) 4.00 am Charles Nove† 5.30 Ray Moore†incl. 6.15 Pause for Thought 7.30 Terry Wogan†incl. 8.31 Racing Bulletin 8.45 Pause for Thought 10.00 Jimmy Young† 12.00 pm Steve Jones†incl. 1.05; 2.02 Sports Desk 2.05 Gloria Hunniford†incl. 3.02 Sports Desk 3.30 Music All The Way† 4.02 Sports Desk 4.05 David Hamilton†incl. 5.05; 6.02 Sports Desk 6.05 John Dunn†incl. 6.45 Sport and Classified Results (mf only) 7.30Cricket Scores 8.00 Alan Dell with Dance Band Days and Big Band Era 9.00 Humphrey Lyttleton† with The Best of Jazz 9.55 Sports Desk 10.00 Detective. Stories of crime and detection written by Robert Barr, starring Ray Brookes and Stephen Garlic: Lost Without Trace 10.30 Star Sound with Nick Jackson and soundtrack requests 11.00 Brian Mathew presents Round Midnight 1.00 am David Bellan† presents Nightride 3.00-4.00 Folk on 2† with Jim Lloyd

Radio 1

News on the half-hour 6.30 am until 9.30 pm and at 12.0 midnight (MF/MW) 6.00 am Bruno Brookes 8.00 Adrian John 10.00 Simon Bates 11.00 Janice Long with the Radio 1 Roadshow at The Gaiety Theatre, Rhyl 12.30 Newsbeat 12.45 pm. Gary Davies 2.00 Steve Wright 4.30 Peter Powell, including 5.30 Newsbeat 7.00 Muriel Gray 10.00-12.00 John Peel (r) VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2 4.00 am With Radio 2 10.00 pm With Radio 1 12.00-4.00 am With Radio 2

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk. 6.30 Baker's Half Dozen. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours: 7.30 Sarah and Company. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Vilette. 8.30 Anything Goes. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 Waveguide. 9.25 Good Books. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Music Now. 10.15 Olympic Story. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 Cricket. 11.30 Shoplifting. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Brain of Britain 1984. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours: 1.30 Swinging Sixties. 1.45 With Great Pleasure. 2.30 Cricket. 2.45 The House At Pooh Corner. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Outlook. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 The Fosdyke Saga. 4.30 Olympic Story. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 8.30 Sports International. 9.00 Network UK. 9.15 The House At Pooh Corner. 9.30 Counterpoint. 10.00 World News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 Book Choice. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 The Fosdyke Saga. 11.30 Brain of Britain 1984. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 With Great Pleasure. 1.15 Outlook. 1.45 Double Act. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Network UK. 2.30 Sports International. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 John Peel. 4.45 Financial News, 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours: 5.45 The World Today.
(All times in GMT)

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BBC 1 Wales: 1.22-1.25pm News of Wales Headlines. 4.18-4.20 News of Wales Headlines. 5.55 Wales Today. 6.40-7.10 Cast Away. 12.10am News and weather. Scotland: 9.25am The Best of Horses Galore. 9.50 Jackanory. 10.05-10.30 Why Don't You ... ? 1.20-1.25pm The Scottish News. 5.55 Scotland: Sixty Minutes. 12.10am News and weather. Northern Ireland: 9.25am The Best of Horses Galore. 9.50 Jackanory. 10.05-10.30 Why Don't You ...? 1.22-1.25pm Northern Ireland News. 4.18-4.20 Northern Ireland News. 5.55 Scene Around Six. 12.10am News and weather. England: 5.55pm Regional news magazines. 12.15am Close, ends

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

CENTRAL As London except: 9.25am Zoom the Dolphin. 9.50 Road to Los Angeles. 10.35 Laurel and Hardy.* 10.50 Engagement. 11.35-12.00 Joanie Loves Chachi. 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Sandwich Man (Michael Bentine). 3.15 Hear Here. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Newshound. 6.00 News. 6.30-7.00 Take 30, 9.00-10.00 Quincy 10.35 Gi' it some 'ommer. 11.05 Darkroom. 12.05am Contact. 12.20 Closedown.

HTV As London except: 10.25am Little Rascals*. 10.40 Little House On The Prairie. 11.30-12.00 3-2-1 Contact. 12.30pm-1.00 All In The Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Dark Angel* (Frederic March). 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Vintage Quiz. 6.00-7.00 News. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.30 Hill Street Blues. 11.30 Jazz. 12.00 Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00pm-7.00 Wales At Six.

CHANNEL As London except: Starts 12.00-12.10pm Gammon and Spinach. 12.30-1.00 All In The Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Admirable Crichton. 3.15 Cartoon. 3.30-4.00 Animals In Action. 5.15-5.45 Whose Baby? 6.00 Channel Report. 6.15 Spice Of Life. 6.40-7.00 Story of Saint Helier. 10.35 Film: Diamond Mercenaries. 12.20am Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 10.25am Wild World of Animals. 10.50 Greatest Adventure. 11.35-12.00 Stan and Ollie.* 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News 1.30 Hear Here. 1.45 Film: Dr Strangelove (Peter Sellers). 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Survival. 6.00 Lookaround. 6.30-7.00 Gambit. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.30 Best of Three. 11.00 Sweeney. 12.00 News, Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 10.25am Niko. 10.50 Falcon Island. 11.15-12.00 Fabulous Funnies. 12.30pm-1.00 All In The Mind. 1.20 Lunchtime. 1.30 Film: Town Like Alice (Virginia McKenna). 3.30-4.00 Whose Baby? 5.15-5.45 Survival. 6.00 Summer Edition. 6.30-7.00 Spice of Life. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.30 Farming Ulster. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 11.55 News, Closedown.

TVS As London except: 10.25am-12.00 Film: Venetian Bird (Richard Todd). 12.30pm-1.00 All In The Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Two For The Road (Audrey Hepburn). 3.30-4.00 Cop And The Kid. 5.15-5.45 Young Doctors. 6.00 Coast To Coast. 6.30-7.00 Whose Baby? 10.30 Hill Street Blues. 11.30 Preview. 12.00 Company, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 9.25am Amazing Years of Cinema. 9.45 Nature of Things. 10.45-12.00 Hopalong Cassidy. 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 Film: Operation Amsterdam. 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Silver Spoons. 6.00 Sons and Daughters. 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports. 10.30 Benson. 11.00 Week Tonight. 11.45 Legman. 12.45am Closedown.

S4C Starts 2.00pm Chwedlau Aesop. 2.15 Interval. 3.10 Film: Beautiful Blonde From Bashful Bend (Betty Grable). 4.30 Blockbusters. 5.00 Pictiwrs Bach. 5.05 Rhwcedabaw, 5.35 Buffalo Bill. 6.00 Case On Camera. 6.30 Babble. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Penigamp. 8.00 Upstairs, Downstairs. 9.00 Dalme. 9.45 Y Byd Ar Bedwar. 10.15 Sophisticated Gents. 12.00 Feeling Better? 12.45am Closedown.

TSW As London except: 10.25am-12.00 Film: Venetian Bird (Richard Todd). 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Admirable Crichton (Kenneth More). 3.15 Cartoon. 3.30-4.00 Animals in Action. 5.15-5.45 Whose Baby? 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 Gardens for All. 10.35 Film: Diamond Mercenaries (Telly Savalas). 12.20am Postscript, Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 10.25am Poseidon Files. 11.10 Fabulous Funnies. 11.35-12.00 Matt and Jenny. 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: League of Gentleman* (Jack Hawkins). 3.30-4.00 Animals in Action. 6.00 Summer at Six. 6.30-7.00 Database. 10.30 Film: Hireling (Robert Shaw). 12.30am News. Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 10.25am Island Wildlife. 11.10 Vicky the Viking. 11.35-12.00 Home. 12.30pm-1.00 All In The Mind. 1.20 Calendar. 1.30 Hear Here. 1.40 Film: To Sir With Love (Sydney Poitier). 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Silver Spoons. 6.00 Calendar. 6.30-7.00 The Game. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.30 Calendar. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London except: 10.25am Short Story. 10.45 Let's Pretend. 11.05 Chips. 12.00-1.00pm Weir's Aweigh. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Will Penny (Charlton Heston). 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Benson. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.30 Hear Here. 6.45-7.00 Crime-Desk. 9.00-10.00 Devlin Connection. 10.30 Last Outlaw. 11.30 All In The Mind. 12.00 Late Call. 12.05am Protectors. 12.35 Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 10.25am World We Live In. 10.50 Cities. 11.35-12.00 Home. 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Look Who's Talking. 2.00 Film: French Mistress*. Comedy, 3.50-4.00 Cartoon. 5.15-5.45 Just Our Luck. 6.00 News. 6.02 Gambit. 6.30-7.00 Northern Life. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.32 Sporting Chance. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Epitaph, Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 10.25am Cartoon. 10.40 Spread Your Wings. 11.05 Chips. 11.55-12.00 Wattoo Wattoo. 12.30pm-1.00 All in the Mind. 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: Mudlark* (Alec Guinness). 3.20 Cartoon. 3.30-4.00 Whose Baby? 5.15-5.45 Joanie loves Chachi. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.30-7.00 Movie Memories. 10.30 Anglia reports. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Land of the Dragon. 12.30am Reflection, Closedown.

Entertainments



Treasure hunt: Competitors for the first Newbury Metal Detection Rally line up against the skyline yesterday awaiting the word to start. Below: sweeping a designated area for buried "treasure" for which there was more than £1,000 in prizes.

Top security head 'was Soviet spy'

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was advised by the security service who were anxious that there should not be a high level independent inquiry into the swervice that might drag skeletons out of the cupboard that they would ot want revealed."

He claims that no prime minister has been told the full extent of MI5's suspicions. "I think they told them anything that might be a scandal or embarrassing and then only at the last minute."

Mr Wright says he has broken silence because "it seems the only way to get the Government to take what I have to say seriously, and to get it past the block created by MI5, is to go public in the hope that parliament and the press will put real pressure on the Government to do something."

He claims in the programme that the late Sir Dennis Proctor, former Permanent-Secretary to the Ministry of Fuel and Power, made a "partial confession" when interviewed in retirement in the south of France, that he had been a Communist in the 1930s, and passed Whitehall information to Guy Burgess, the British diplomat who defected to Moscow in 1951.

Mr Wright says the late Mr Alistair Watson, former head of anti-submarine warfare research at the Admiralty, was an even more dangerous spy than Kim Philby.

Moscow's nine-ton diplomatic bag upsets the Swiss

From Alan McGregor, Geneva

Switzerland and the Soviet Union are in a diplomatic deadlock over Moscow's refusal to allow the contents of a nine-ton lorry to be inspected.

When the vehicle from Moscow arrived at the frontier near Basle after crossing West Germany, Swiss customs wanted to check its cargo. This is normal practice; lorries bring duty-free food, drink and other articles two or three times a month for the large Soviet diplomatic mission and community in Geneva.

But the courier travelling with the lorry said flatly that this particular vehicle was in the "diplomatic baggage" category and had international immunity from inspection.

The Swiss declined to accept this, and referred the matter to higher officials. After 48 hours permission was given for the lorry to proceed to Geneva – on condition that it was first sealed by Swiss customs, the seals to be removed only in the presence of Swiss officials unless otherwise agreed.

The vehicle, clearly visible from the road outside, is now parked in the grounds of the Soviet diplomatic mission.

The legal argument over interpretation of what, if any, limits the Vienna Convention places on a diplomatic bag is continuing between the Swiss Foreign Ministry and the Soviet mission. Customs officials are confident that they would easily be able to detect any tampering with the seals.

The incident appears to be a matter of the Russians trying to see just how far the convention can be stretched. They doubtless have an eye on the 34 experts of the United Nations International Law Commission now meeting in the Palais des Nations, a stone's throw from the lorry.

For the past three years these experts have been revising the diplomatic-bag provisions of the convention. But they have not yet got very far, not far enough, certainly, to give a definitive opinion on the status of the lorry from Moscow, now immobilized on Soviet diplomatic territory.

Letter from San Francisco

Perfect setting for apparent madness

It was Rudyard Kipling who once described San Francisco as a mad city inhabited by perfectly insane people . . .

Since 1859, when Emperor Norton I, a bankrupt entrepreneur, proclaimed himself ruler of the United States and protector of Mexico (and was wined and dined free of charge in the city's bars and restaurants for the next 21 years), San Francisco has had a reputation for being different. Some might say for eccentricity.

Yet for the next week, San Franciscans may start to believe that sanity resides with them while they watch a seemingly mad spectacle in their midst, as about 30,000 people cram into an underground bunker the size of five football pitches to consider how President Reagan can be defeated in November.

For those on the outside of politics, this would seem to be a slightly loony subject to be discussing in the first place, given Mr Reagan's continuing lead in the opinion polls and the disarray which always lurks just beneath the surface of the Democratic Party even when it tries to stage an harmonious convention.

For the average San Franciscan, the only sane aspect of the whole business is that Democrats should have decided, for the first time in 64 years, to hold their quadrennial pow-wow in their city, indisputably the most beautiful in all America.

In many ways San Francisco is an ideal place to hold such a get-together. It has plenty of hotels – although even the doss houses are fully booked for the next week – and more restaurants per head than New York. Although the business of the convention is discussing politics, the after-hour socializing at restaurants and parties is considered of equal importance.

There will be plenty of parties for delegates to attend. By far the biggest is being thrown on a San Francisco pier by Mr Willie Brown, the flamboyant speaker of the California Assembly. Ten thousand of Mr Brown's close friends are expected. The cost: about $500,000 (£380,000).

The most exclusive is being given by Ann and Gordon Getty, heirs to the Getty oil billions, at their mansion. Invited are 32 people who have each contributed more than $100,000 to the Democratic National Committee's building fund.

Inevitably, with so many parties going on rivalry has developed between party-givers over who is throwing the most spectacular bash and who has arranged the most glittering guest list.

The biggest of the battles of the bashes has been between Brown and San Francisco's Mayor Dianne Feinstein (long-time political rivals) who held $100,000 reception for convention delegates yesterday afternoon.

Probably San Francisco's main drawback is the new $126m Moscone Centre (named after a former mayor who was murdered, with the city's homosexual supervisor, in 1978) where the convention is being held.

The underground hall resembles a long, low hanger with eight pairs of huge concrete arches. These eliminate the need for columns to hold up the roof, but they also block views of the floor.

This means that television cameras will not get a full view of the proceedings, while half of the print journalists will get no view at all.

Although some locals, already fed up with traffic jams and over-booked restaurants, are wearing T-shirts saying "Welcome to San Francisco. Now go home," the convention is providing the city with much-needed business and publicity.

The inhabitants are responding to all this attention by putting on a show which seems deliberately intended to underscore the city's rich patchwork of cultures, traditions, social mores – and sheer crankiness.

Groups planning to demonstrate include the Marijuana Initiative and a number of bands staging a "Rock against Reagan racism" concert.

For the moment, however, it is Sister Boom Boom, "mother superior" of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, a group of transvestites who dress up as nuns, who is attracting most attention. He/she is planning to hold an "exorcism" of the Moral Majority, whose leader, the Rev Jerry Falwell, is in town.

Sister Boom Boom's antics would undoubtedly convince a reincarnated Kipling that San Francisco remains a theatre of the absurd.

Nicholas Ashford

Mondale blunders

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However, by promoting such a controversial figure at such an inopportune moment – a day before the convention begins – Mr Mondale has managed to dissipate much of the positive reaction achieved by the Ferraro appointment.

His action also threatened the facade of unity painstakingly built up since the primary campaign ended six weeks ago.

Part of the adverse reaction was due to Mr Lance's background and his associations with the Carter era. It also offended Californian delegates, as Mr Manatt is from there and his demotion was seen as an admission by the Mondale camp that they have conceded victory in the West to President Reagan.

Yesterday, Mr Mondale had words of praise for both Mr Manatt and Mr Lance, whom he described as "a very, very fine human being with good values".

One of Mr Lance's critics retorted that Mr Mondale may now have a "sleaze factor" problem.

For Mr Lance, aged 53, his promotion is the culmination of his personal and political comeback after being driven out of Washington in disgrace

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Coal board dismay as peace hope fades

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be "beneficially developed" should, by agreement, close.

Mr MacGregor has made a second personal appeal to more than 120,000 striking miners to return. In a letter to pitmen, he has put on record nine points on which the two sides have agreed during the latest round of talks, including union acceptance of "other reasons" for closure apart from safety seam exhaustion.

He admits: "We cannot agree about the 'other reasons' for pit closures. The NCB say that when a pit cannot be beneficially developed, we should not continue to waste human or financial resources or equipment on it, and we should come to an agreement on such pits.

"The NUM does not agree. They say pits should be kept open even when they are of no benefit to the industry. The NCB cannot accept the NUM's position . . . that is why the NCB refused to withdraw the proposals they put forward on March 6 which will provide security and stability in the industry."

The board is conscious of the holiday period looming in late July and August, which will sharply reduce the amount of coal coming out of the moderate coalfields still working. Power stations normally stock up in the summer, but there will be little output from which to replenish those stocks unless the slow drift back to work in the strike-bound areas gathers pace substantially.

Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, said at the Durham gala that the miners had "no alternative to fighting." He added: "Miners' backs are up against the great wall of uemployment.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

Princess Anne visits a National Riding for the Disabled Association riding holiday at Ivytod Farm, Ashdon, Essex, 10.35; and later attends the Berkeley Square Ball, London, accompanied by Captain Mark Phillips, 10.30.

Pincess Alexandra attends a reception at Goldsmith's Hall, London, 6.30.

New exhibitions

Paintings by Cherryl Fountain and ceramics by Judith Gilmour, Open Eye Gallery, Cumberland Street, Edinburgh; Mon to Fri 10 to 6, Sat 10 to 4 (from today until Aug 2).

Escape to the Sun: paintings by British artists abroad, and The Dutch Connection, Art Gallery and Museum, Schoolhill, Aberdeen, Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Thursday 10 to 8, Sun 2 to 5 (until Aug 4).

The Capricious View: Townscapes, Usher Gallery, Lindum Road, Lincoln; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30, Sun 2.30 to 5; (until Aug 19).

Work by British artists between 1965 and 1972, Kettle's Yard Gallery, Northampton Street, Cambridge, Mon to Sat 12.30 to 5.30, Sun 2 to 5.30; (until Sept 2).

Open Art '84, Museum and Art Gallery, Lichfield Street, Walsall; Mon to Sat 9 to 5; (until July 28).

China Postcards: ceramic painting, Salisbury and South Wiltshire Museum, The King's House, 65 The Close, Salisbury; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5; (from today until Aug 19).

Paintings, Prints and modern Icons, by Mavis Blasbery, Art Gallery, Municipal Offices, Falmouth; Mon to Fri 10 to 5; (from today until Aug 3).

Work by W B Scott Valentine, Rozelle House, Rozelle Park, Ayr; Mon to Sat 11 to 5, Sun 2 to 5; (until Aug 12).

Photographs by Oscar Marzaroli, Hamilton District Museum, Muir Street, Hamilton, Strathclyde; Mon to Sat 10 to 5; (until Aug 11).

Paintings by Pam Burns and photographs by David Atkins; City Museum, Broad St, Hereford; Tues to Fri 10 to 6, Thurs 10 to 5, Sat 10 to 4; (ends July 28).

Photographs and watercolours of Dorchester: Dorset County Museum, High St Dorchester, Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Sat 10 to 1, and 2 to 5; (ends Sept 15).

Music

Organ recital by Edward Dorricott, Birmingham and Midland Institute, Margaret Street, Birmingham, 1.

Oprgan recital by Colin Mackay, Glasgow Cathedral, 7.30.

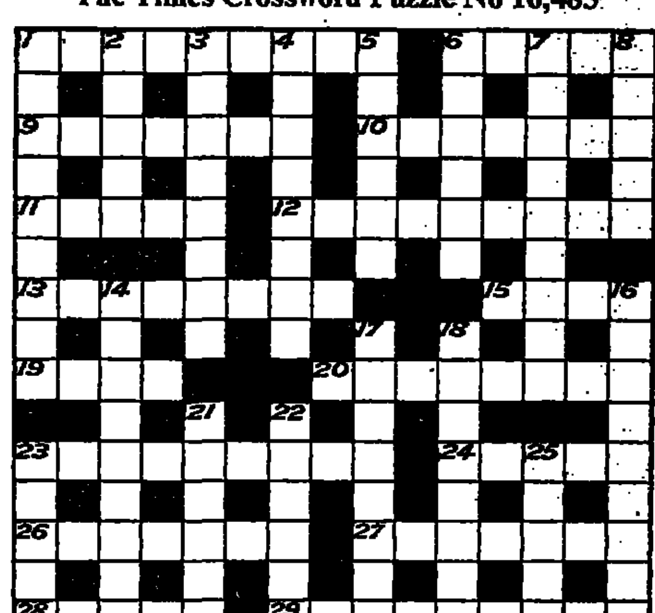
Cambridge Festival: concert by Endellion String Quartet, Jesus College Chapel, Cambridge, 8.

Gower Festival: Organ and harpsichord recital by Ennio Cominetti and Pierantonio Meroni, St Peter's Church, Newton, W Glam, 8.

General

Puppet demonstration and workshop, The Museum, New Walk, Leicester, 10 to 12 and 2 to 4.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,483



ACROSS

1 Watch Hodgson's old gypsy man collecting scrap (9).
6 Shaw with bushy features (5).
9 Fully in order to cancel (7).
10 Call for a mount say before battle? (7).
11 Problem set for one in picture (5).
12 Steps must be taken to make this punishment work (9).
13 Glass of grog a feature of Pickwickian retirement (8).
15 Accuser not clear so dispute remains (4).
19 No duck for this princess (4).
20 At first try one out in case he can help (8).
23 Place in hotel with space to hide (9).
24 A list round about King Arthur's time (5).
26 Created New York, for example? (5-2).
27 Hang about the House demonstrating (7).
28 Blazer carried by unhappy lover (5).
29 Building we hear is intended for occupation (9).

DOWN

1 Can batsman be so entitled to free food? (3-6).
2 Apt name for Thursday's child (5).
3 In a religious house it has preference (8).
4 An African drunk – a gin type (8).
5 English flower festival (6).
6 Arrive with lady half cut – should be a laugh (6).
7 Condition for a dream (9).
8 Constable's support, perhaps (5).
14 One to have a row with in City thoroughfare (9).
16 Smart and having influence, he knows the ropes (9).
17 One boy's name is another's – we get mystified by the sound of it (8).
18 Let out for nutty receiver (4-4).
21 Outline the beginning of the sailing ship (6).
22 Undergo spelling test – this book is part of it (6).
23 Copper coin made to measure (5).
25 Probably a white-collar union candidate (5).

The Solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No. 16,482 will appear next Saturday

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debate on the Gower report on review of investor protection in the financial services sector.

Lords (2.30): Local Government (Interim Provisions) Bill, report.

Anniversaries

Births: Andrea del Sarto, painter, Florence, 1486; Sir Joshua Reynolds, Plympton, Devon, 1723; Jean Baptiste Corot, Paris, 1796.

Deaths: Anne of Cleves, fourth wife of Henry VII, London, 1557; Hilaire Belloc, Guildford, 1953. Nicholas II, last Czar of Russia and his family were murdered at Ekaterinburg (Sverdlovsk), 1918. The first atomic bomb was exploded in New Mexico, 1945.

Bond winners

Winning numbers in the weekly draw for Premium Bond prizes are: £100,000: 7SS 917699 (the winner comes from Essex); £50,000: 31AW 666423 (Surrey); £25,000: 7FK 853754 (Cheshire).

Nature notes

Several rare British breeding birds are common in Iceland. Only a few pairs of snow buntings breed here each year, on the Cairngorms; but in Iceland they are found on every mountainside and lava plain. The males, which are almost pure white, sing on top of the dark stones; sometimes they will go in soaring song-flight from one valley-side to the other. Red-necked phalaropes haunt all the Icelandic lakesides – in Britain, they are confined to north-west Scotland. The female has brilliant scarlet sides to the throat; the male, who incubates, has a duller orange neck. He frets by the shore when he leaves the nest, while the female swims buoyantly farther out. Both are very tame. Whimbrels, which are smaller relations of the curlew, are abundant in the Iceland meadows; when they have young, they fly right up to the observer on the roadside, and try to lure him away with trilling cries and the pretence of an injured wing.

In damp English woods, the nodding, dark-pink bells of water avens are at their best. On the moors, the small blue flowers of heath milkwort show where the ground is firm; the curling pink flowers of lousewort mark the boggy places.

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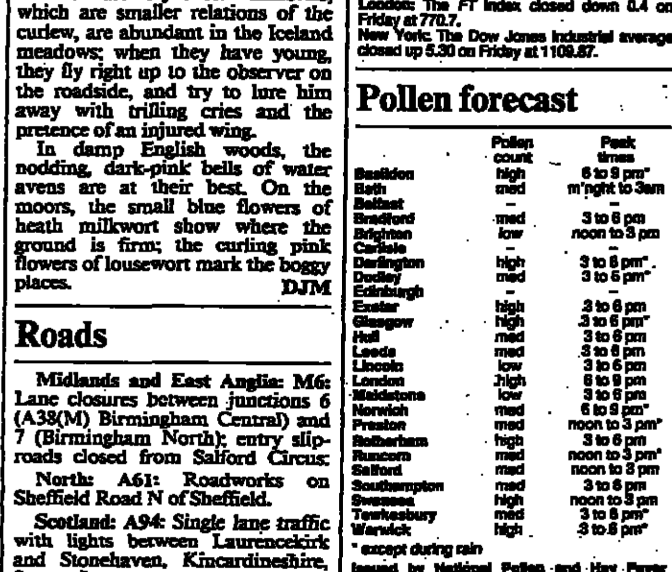
Roads

Midlands and East Anglia: M6: Lane closures between junctions 6 (A38(M) Birmingham Central) and 7 (Birmingham North); entry slip-roads closed from Salford Circus.

North: A61: Roadworks on Sheffield Road N of Sheffield.

Scotland: A94: Single lane traffic with lights between Laurencekirk and Stonehaven, Kincardineshire, 8am to 5pm.

The pound



	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.63	1.56
Austria Sch	27.40	25.80
Belgium Fr	79.30	75.30
Canada $	1.80	1.73
Denmark Kr	14.18	13.48
Finland Mkk	8.20	7.80
France Fr	11.80	11.20
Germany DM	3.87	3.68
Greece Dr	156.00	147.00
Hongkong $	10.77	10.17
Ireland Pt	1.265	1.205
Italy Lira	2380.00	2260.00
Japan Yen	332.00	316.00
Netherlands Gld	4.37	4.15
Norway Kr	11.13	10.63
Portugal Esc	198.00	190.00
South Africa Rd	2.17	2.03
Spain Pta	214.00	204.00
Sweden Kr	11.25	10.75
Switzerland Fr	3.28	3.11
USA $	1.36	1.31
Yugoslavia Dnr	191.00	181.00

Retail Price Index: 351.9.
London: The FT index closed down 0.4 on Friday at 770.7.
New York: The Dow Jones Industrial average closed up 5.30 on Friday at 1109.87.

Pollen forecast

	Pollen count	Peak times
Basildon	high	6 to 9 pm*
Bath	med	m'nght to 3am
Belfast	–	–
Bradford	med	3 to 6 pm
Brighton	low	noon to 3 pm
Carlisle	–	–
Darlington	high	3 to 6 pm*
Dudley	med	3 to 6 pm*
Edinburgh	–	–
Exeter	high	3 to 6 pm
Glasgow	high	3 to 6 pm*
Hull	med	3 to 6 pm
Leeds	med	3 to 6 pm
Lincoln	low	3 to 6 pm
London	high	6 to 9 pm
Maidstone	low	3 to 6 pm
Norwich	med	6 to 9 pm*
Preston	med	noon to 3 pm*
Rotherham	high	3 to 6 pm
Runcorn	med	noon to 3 pm*
Salford	med	noon to 3 pm
Southampton	med	3 to 6 pm
Swansea	high	noon to 3 pm
Tewkesbury	med	3 to 6 pm*
Warwick	high	3 to 6 pm*

* except during rain

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Portfolio–rules

Times Portfolio rules are as follows:

1 Times Portfolio is free. Purchase of The Times is not a condition of taking part.

2 Times Portfolio list comprises a group of public companies whose shares are listed on The Stock Exchange and quoted in The Times Stock Exchange prices page. The companies comprising that list will change from day to day. The list is divided into four groups of ten shares (1-10, 11-20, 21-30 and 31-40) and every Portfolio card contains two numbers from each group.

3 Times Portfolio "dividend" will be the figure in pence which represents the optimum movement in prices (i.e., largest increase or lowest loss) of a combination of eight (two from each group) of the 40 shares which on any day, comprise The Times Portfolio list.

4 The daily dividend will be announced each day and the weekly dividend will be announced each Saturday in The Times.

5 Times Portfolio list and details of the daily or weekly dividend will also be available for inspection at the offices of The Times.

6 If the overall price movement of more than one combination of shares equals the dividend, the prize will be equally divided among the claimants holding those combinations of shares.

7 All claims are subject to scrutiny before payment. Any Times Portfolio card that is defaced, tampered with or incorrectly printed in any way will be declared void.

8 Employees of News International plc and its subsidiaries and of Europrint Group Limited (producers and distributors of the card) or members of their immediate families are not allowed to play Times Portfolio.

9 All participants will be subject to these Rules. All instructions on "how to play" and "how to claim" whether published in The Times or in Times Portfolio cards will be deemed to be part of these Rules.

10 In any dispute, The Editor's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

11 If for any reason The Times Prices Page is not published in the normal way Times Portfolio will be suspended for that day.

How to play – Daily Dividend

On each day your unique set of eight numbers will represent commercial and industrial shares published in The Times Portfolio list which will appear on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

In the columns provided next to your shares note the price change (+ or –), in pence, as published in that day's Times.

After listing the price changes of your eight shares for that day, add up all eight share changes to give you your overall total plus or minus (+ or –).

Check your overall total against The Times Portfolio dividend published on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

If your overall total matches The Times Portfolio dividend you have won outright or a share of the total prize money stated for that day and must claim your prize as instructed below.

How to play – Weekly Dividend

Monday–Saturday record your daily Portfolio total.

Add these together to determine your weekly Portfolio total.

If your total matches the published weekly dividend figure you have won outright or a share of the prize money stated for that week, and must claim your prize as instructed below.

How to claim

Telephone The Times Portfolio claims line 0254-53272 between 10.00 am and 3.30 pm, on the day your overall total matches The Times Portfolio Dividend. No claims can be accepted outside these hours.

You must have your card with you when you telephone.

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call The Times Portfolio claims line between the stipulated times.

No responsibility can be accepted for failure to contact the claims office for any reason within the stated hours.

The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims.

● Some Times Portfolio cards include minor misprints in the instructions on the reverse side. These cards are not invalidated.

● The wording of Rules 2 and 3 has been expanded from earlier versions for clarification purposes. The Game itself is not affected and will continue to be played in exactly the same way as before.

Weather forecast

A NW airstream covers all areas.

6 am to midnight

London, central S, central N, NE England, Midlands, Channel Islands, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Dry, sunny periods; wind NW, light or moderate, max temp 18 to 20C (64 to 68F).

SE, E England, East Anglia: Scattered showers, sunny intervals, wind NW, moderate, max temp 17 to 19C (63 to 66F).

SW, NW England, Wales, Lake District: Dry with sunny intervals, becoming cloudy, with perhaps a little light rain or drizzle in places later especially over coasts and hills; wind W or NW light or moderate; max temp 17 to 19C (63 to 66F).

Isle of Man, SW, NW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Rather cloudy, rain at times later, wind W or NW, light or moderate; max temp 16 to 18C (61 to 64F).

Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Dry, sunny intervals; wind W or NW light; max temp 14 to 16C (57 to 61F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Dry at first but some rain spreding from W later; near normal temperatures.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea: Wind NW fresh or strong; sea moderate or rough. Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind NW, moderate, sea slight. St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind NW moderate, becoming W, light; sea slight.

Sun rises: 5.02 am Sun sets: 9.10 pm

Moon sets: 8.16 am Moon rises: 11.17 pm

Last quarter: July 21.

Lighting-up time

London 9.40 pm to 4.34 am
Bristol 9.50 pm to 4.48 am
Edinburgh 10.17 pm to 4.21 am
Manchester 9.59 pm to 4.32 am
Penzance 9.55 pm to 5.01 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	s	17	63	Guernsey	f	16	61
Birmingham	f	15	59	Inverness	s	15	59
Blackpool	f	16	61	Jersey	s	17	63
Bristol	s	18	64	London	c	18	64
Cardiff	s	17	63	Manchester	f	17	63
Edinburgh	f	17	63	Newcastle	c	15	59
Glasgow	c	16	61	Ronaldsway	s	16	61

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 19C (66F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 12C (54F). Humidity: 6 pm, 57 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.11in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 7.2 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1015.8 millibars, falling.

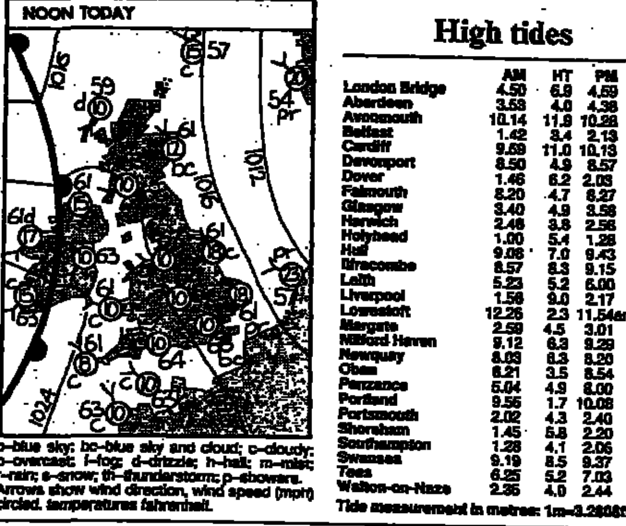
Saturday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 20C (68F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 14C (57F). Humidity: 6 pm, 71 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.15in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 2.1hr. Bar, mean sea level: 6 pm, 1009.8 millibars, falling.

1,000 millibars = 29.53 in.

Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Weymouth, 21C (70F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, 12C (54F); highest rainfall: Gorleston, 0.78in; highest sunshine: Douglas, 11.2hr.

Saturday: Highest day temp: Coningsby, 21C (70F); lowest day max: Butt of Lewis, 13C (55F); highest rainfall: Aberdeen, 0.57in; highest sunshine: Skegness, 7.1hr.



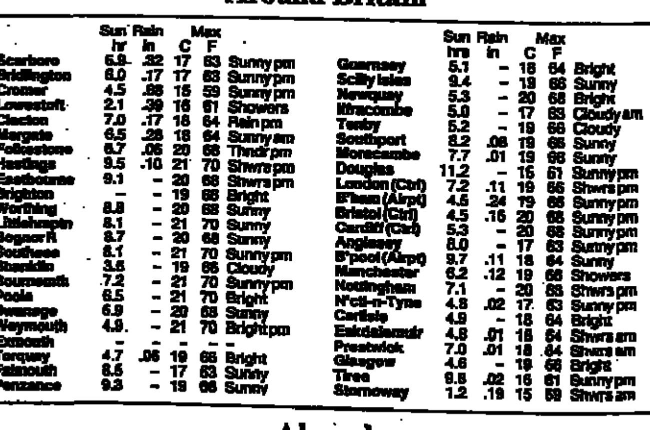
b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; m-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. temperatures fahrenheit.

High tides

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Aberdeen	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Avonmouth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Belfast	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cardiff	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Devonport	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dover	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Falmouth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Glasgow	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Harwich	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Holyhead	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hull	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ilfracombe	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Leith	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Liverpool	1.58	9.0	2.17	8.5
Lowestoft	12.26	2.3	11.54am	2.5
Margate	2.59	4.5	3.01	4.5
Milford Haven	9.12	6.3	9.29	6.5
Newquay	8.03	6.3	8.20	6.6
Oban	8.21	3.5	8.54	3.7
Penzance	5.04	4.9	8.00	5.2
Portland	9.55	1.7	10.08	2.0
Portsmouth	2.02	4.3	2.40	4.4
Shoreham	1.45	5.8	2.20	5.8
Southampton	1.28	4.1	2.06	4.2
Swansea	9.19	8.5	9.37	8.7
Tees	6.25	5.2	7.03	4.9
Walton-on-Naze	2.35	4.0	2.44	4.0

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain



	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	6.9	.32	17	63	Sunny pm
Bridlington	6.0	.17	17	63	Sunny pm
Cromer	4.5	.88	15	59	Sunny pm
Lowestoft	2.1	.39	16	61	Showers
Clacton	7.0	.17	18	64	Rain pm
Margate	6.5	.28	18	64	Sunny am
Folkestone	6.7	.06	20	68	Thndr pm
Hastings	9.5	.10	21	70	Shwrs pm
Eastbourne	9.1	–	20	68	Shwrs pm
Brighton	–	–	19	66	Bright
Worthing	8.8	–	20	68	Sunny
Littlehmptn	8.1	–	21	70	Sunny
Bognor R	8.7	–	20	68	Sunny
Southsea	8.1	–	21	70	Sunny pm
Shanklin	3.6	–	19	66	Cloudy
Bournemouth	7.2	–	21	70	Sunny pm
Poole	6.5	–	21	70	Bright
Swanage	6.9	–	20	68	Sunny
Weymouth	4.9	–	21	70	Bright pm
Exmouth	–	–	–	–	–
Torquay	4.7	.06	19	66	Bright
Falmouth	8.5	–	17	63	Sunny
Penzance	9.3	–	19	66	Sunny
Guernsey	5.1	–	18	64	Bright
Scilly Isles	9.4	–	19	66	Sunny
Newquay	5.3	–	20	68	Bright
Ilfracombe	5.0	–	17	63	Cloudy am
Tenby	5.2	–	19	66	Cloudy
Southport	8.2	.08	19	66	Sunny
Morecambe	7.7	.01	19	66	Sunny
Douglas	11.2	–	16	61	Sunny pm
London (Ctrl)	7.2	.11	19	66	Shwrs pm
B'ham (Airpt)	4.5	.24	19	66	Sunny pm
Bristol (Ctrl)	4.5	.16	20	68	Sunny pm
Cardiff (Ctrl)	5.3	–	20	68	Sunny pm
Anglesey	8.0	–	17	63	Sunny pm
B'pool (Airpt)	9.7	.11	18	64	Sunny
Manchester	6.2	.12	19	66	Showers
Nottingham	7.1	–	20	68	Shwrs pm
N'ctl-n-Tyne	4.8	.02	17	63	Sunny pm
Carlisle	4.9	–	18	64	Bright
Eskdalemuir	4.8	.01	18	64	Shwrs am
Prestwick	7.0	.01	18	64	Shwrs am
Glasgow	4.6	–	19	66	Bright
Tiree	9.8	.02	16	61	Sunny pm
Stornoway	1.2	.19	15	59	Shwrs am

Abroad



MIDDAY: c, cloud; dr, drizzle; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; th, thunder.

		C	F			C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	26	79	Copenhgn	f	17	63	Majorca				Rio de Jan			
Akrotiri	s	30	86	Corfu	s	33	91	Malaga				Rome	f	27	81
Alexandria	c	28	82	Dallas				Malta	s	23	73	Salzburg	c	17	63
Algiers	s	28	82	Dublin	c	17	63	Melbourne	f	8	46	Sao Paulo			
Amsterdam	r	14	57	Dubrovnik	s	28	82	Mexico C				S Francisco			
Athens	s	31	88	Faro	s	26	79	Miami				Santiago			
Bahrain				Florence	f	28	82	Milan	f	28	82	Seoul	s	32	90
Barbados				Frankfurt	f	21	70	Montreal				Singapore	f	31	88
Barcelona				Funchal	c	20	68	Moscow	f	21	70	Stockholm	f	21	70
Beirut				Geneva	c	20	68	Munich	r	17	63	Strasbourg	r	19	66
Belgrade	s	31	88	Gibraltar	s	24	75	Nairobi	c	21	70	Sydney	f	14	57
Berlin	r	16	61	Helsinki	f	19	66	Naples	s	28	82	Tangier			
Bermuda				Hongkong	f	30	86	New Delhi	s	33	91	Tel Aviv	s	29	84
Biarritz	c	19	66	Innsbruck				New York				Tenerife	s	27	81
Boulogne	f	16	61	Istanbul	s	28	82	Nice	s	25	77	Tokyo	c	28	82
Bordeaux	dr	20	68	Jeddah	s	38	100	Oslo	f	21	70	Toronto			
Brussels	r	18	64	Jo'burg				Ottawa				Tunis	s	34	93
Budapest	s	29	84	Karachi				Paris	f	19	66	Valencia			
Buen Aires				Las Palmas	s	25	77	Peking	s	32	90	Vancouver			
Cairo	s	32	90	Lisbon	s	29	84	Perth	c	11	52	Venice	f	28	82
Cape Tn	s	17	63	Locarno	c	25	77	Prague	c	18	64	Vienna	th	17	63
C'blanca				L Angeles				Reykjavik	f	11	52	Warsaw	c	22	72
Chicago				Luxembg	c	16	61	Rhodes	s	30	86	Washington			
Cologne	c	16	61	Madrid				Riyadh	s	43	109	Zurich	c	16	61

* denotes Friday's figures are latest available

